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ROYAL VISIT TO HONGKONG.

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER
COMING.

BIG SERIES OF OFFICIAL
FUNCTIONS PLANNED.

A GARDEN PARTY.

When H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester arrives in Hongkong on April 26th, on his way to make an official visit to Japan, a series of official functions will take place extending over the two days of his Royal Highness's stay in the Colony.

The Royal visitor will arrive by the P. and O. s.s. Moren on the morning of April 25th, when he will be officially received at Statue Pier and be the recipient of addresses of welcome from the European and Chinese communities. Although detailed arrangements for this have not yet been completed, it is probable that the presentation of addresses will be made in the City Hall, His Royal Highness proceeding there from the Pier by way of the principal streets of the city.

Government House Lunch.

After the City Hall ceremony, the Duke will proceed to Government House, where he will be entertained to luncheon.

After lunch, if the weather is suitable, a drive round the island will be followed by a game of polo at Causeway Bay, His Royal Highness having expressed a wish to play.

The Duke, together with members of his party, will then proceed to Mountain Lodge for the night, a small dinner party being given.

On Friday, April 26th, the Duke will drive to Fanling for a game of golf, being entertained to luncheon by the Royal Hongkong Golf Club.

Reception at H.K.C.C.

The drive back to Kowloon will be by way of Castle Peak, and in the afternoon a big reception and garden party will be held on the grounds of the Hongkong Cricket Club, when all residents, European and Chinese, who are on the Government House list, will be invited to attend.

In the evening, H.R.H. will be the guest to dinner of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, this function taking place in the Peninsula Hotel. The Duke will return to Mountain Lodge for the night.

Chinese Luncheon.

On Saturday, April 27th, the Chinese community will entertain the Royal visitor to luncheon at one of the big restaurants at West Point, H.R.H. proceeding from there on board H.M.S. Suffolk, on which he will sail, at 3 p.m., for Japan.

There will be an official send-off at Statue Pier, and the Japanese Government has notified its intention of sending four cruisers down to Hongkong to escort the Duke northwards.

As has already been announced, His Royal Highness will be returning to England by way of Canada. The Duke of Gloucester (Prince Henry) is the third son of Their Majesties King George and Queen Mary. He was born on March 31st, 1900, and was awarded the G.C.V.O. decoration in 1922. Recently, he accompanied the Prince of Wales on the latter's African tour, being hurriedly recalled owing to the King's illness.

Betrothal Report.

The London Daily News recently announced that the engagement of the Duke of Gloucester to Lady Angela Scott, the youngest of the Duke of Buccleuch's five daughters, would be officially announced when the King had sufficiently recovered. It was believed before the Duke of Gloucester departed on his African tour that the engagement would be announced after his return, but His Majesty's illness interfered with the arrangements.

The engagement fulfils a long-standing romance. There were even rumours in 1927 that the Duke would shortly become engaged to a daughter of the famous Scottish family.

Lady Angela is a pretty brunette,

ITALIA DISASTER FINDINGS.

GENERAL NOBLE SUBJECT
TO CRITICISM.

HELD RESPONSIBLE.

Rome, Mar. 3.
After months of investigation, the Commission appointed by the Italian Government to enquire into the loss of the Polar airship under General Nobile, has submitted its report.

The airship was wrecked on its way back to civilisation last year after successfully flying from Rome to King's Bay, and from King's Bay to Greenland and the Pole. The crew divided into three parties, two of which were saved after all hope had practically been given up.

The Commission finds that the loss of the airship was due to faulty handling by the commander of the expedition, General Nobile.

It also finds that there is no acceptable justification, except physical and moral depression, for the fact that General Nobile allowed himself to be saved first by the airman Lundborg. General Nobile's action in consenting to leave the pack-ice on which his party was marooned, before his companions, has been severely criticised, though he had sustained a broken arm and leg in the crash of the "Italia".

The Commission also deals at some length with the death of Professor Malmgren, a Swedish member of the expedition. He had set out to find land with Commanders Mariano and Zappi, trudging for miles across the Arctic wastes. Eventually Malmgren collapsed, and Mariano and Zappi were forced to abandon his body.

The Commission finds that the circumstances were such that the action of Mariano and Zappi cannot in any way be regarded as censurable, but rather deserving of praise.

Nobile Defended.

Prague, Mar. 4.
Sensational views, attributed to Professor Behounek, a Czechoslovakian scientist who accompanied Nobile's expedition, are published in the newspaper Ceske Slovo.

Professor Behounek complains that the Commission of Inquiry was composed exclusively of naval officers, whose object was to exonerate Zappi and Mariano, the naval members of the party, at the expense of Nobile.

He further points out that the evidence of all the non-Italian witnesses exonerated Nobile.

Professor Behounek declares that the wrecking of the "Italia" was so sudden that it was impossible to prevent it.

He adds that he told the Commission that the action of Zappi and Mariano, in abandoning Malmgren, was inexcusable, and that he and Lundborg maintained that, in the circumstances, the rescue of Nobile was the only possible course.

Reuter.

REBUILDING OF BALL ROOM
NECESSARY.

We learn that extensive repairs have been found necessary at Government House, following an inspection of the ball room roof. The work is already in hand, thus rendering Government House temporarily unsuitable for entertaining purposes on a large scale.

It was originally intended to extend the ball room, but the existing roof has been completely condemned, as it was found that the main beams were in a very unsafe condition, owing to white ants and dry rot. The roof will have to be entirely rebuilt and it will be some months before that part of Government House is again available for use.

aged 23, and is one of the best liked of the younger set. Like the Duke, she loves the healthy, open-air life, and is a good rider to hounds.

Her brother, Lord William Scott, is a captain in the Duke of Gloucester's regiment, the Tenth Hussars. The Duke for several years has been an intimate friend of the Buccleuch's, and has been a frequent visitor to their hunting seat at Bowhill, Selkirk, and also to their London house.

Ten Steamers Commandeered.

It is reported that in an order to the Chinese Shipping Owners' Association, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek ordered five vessels, the s.s. Ningling, s.s. Hsin Fung, s.s. Ka Hsin, s.s. Hsin Kiang and s.s. Tinchai, to proceed at once to Nanking. Five other steamers have been commandeered by the Gov-

FIGHTING STARTS AT ANKING.

WUHAN AND NANKING
IN OPPOSITION?

OPEN CONFLICT FEARED AS
SITUATION WORSENS.

COMPEL ALLEGIANCE.

Shanghai, Mar. 4.
The fears of open conflict between Nanking and Hankow repeatedly expressed in the past two or three days and arising directly from the Hunan coup, which was effected without the sanction of the Central Government, now seem likely to materialise.

It has been thought for some time that the Nationalist Government is considering an attempt to compel the allegiance of the Kwangsi faction by force of arms, and it is also considered likely that in the event of an attack by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek on Hankow, Canton will ally itself with the Wuhan cities. This is based on the fact that Marshal Li Chai-sum is one of the principal leaders of the Kwangsi group.

Suddenly Worse.

Reuter states that the Wuhan-Nanking situation has suddenly grown worse in the past twenty-four hours.

Reports have been received hitherto unconfirmed, that Hankow (Wuhan) troops have collided with Kwangsi forces (Chiang Kai-shek's troops) in the neighbourhood of Anking, the capital of Kwangsi, and that fighting is going on.

No further details have been received, but Reuter adds that the Shanghai Customs yesterday morning issued orders suspending the sailings of all Chinese steamers from Shanghai.

Outlook Ominous.

No reason for the order has yet been given, but it is presumed that the detention of these ships is due to possibilities that they will be required for the transport of troops.

While the outlook is ominous, says Reuter, it is hoped that the strenuous efforts now being made by the leaders of both parties will result in a compromise.

An earlier message from Chinese sources suggests that outwardly the Government is supported by the leading militarists, but underneath factionalism still holds sway. It is almost certain in the event of an attack on Hankow, now seriously anticipated, that Canton and Hankow will combine against Nanking.

Clash Imminent.

Other Chinese circles also admit that the situation is tense. The rumours placed in circulation a fortnight ago of a possible outbreak of war between Marshal Feng Yu-shiang and Chiang Kai-shek are rapidly dying out, it being fairly obvious that Chiang is anxious to remain on good terms with Feng. But following the disarmament of General Lu Ting-ping at Changsha, there are now rumours of an imminent clash between the Wuhan party and Chiang.

The dismissed General Lu Ting-ping is still at Nanking, while the Chairman of the Wuchang-Hankow Branch Political Council, General Li Chung-yen is at hospital in Shanghai.

Attempt to Mediate.

At the hospital to-day General Li Chung-yen received the Nanking conservative politicians sent by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to discuss with him the situation.

They included Tsai Yuen-pai, Chang Ching-kiang and Wu Tze-hui and they declared their intention of awaiting the arrival of Marshal Li Chai-sum who has been appointed by the National Government to investigate the Changsha affair.

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ernment. It is said that the vessels will first proceed to Pukow, near Nanking, and will leave later with troops for Kiukiang, and Anking.

Meanwhile it is hoped that the efforts of the men now negotiating with General Li Chung-yen on behalf of Chiang Kai-shek will be successful and that a compromise will eventually be reached.

TREATY FORGERY "CONFESSION."

FIRST OFFERED TO GERMAN
ESPIONAGE BUREAU.

MERELY A SWINDLE.

Brussels, Mar. 3.
Albert Frank Heine, the Belgian activist, who was arrested in Brussels last night, on alighting from the Amsterdam express, and is to be charged with forging the so-called secret State documents published in the Utrecht Dagblad, is alleged to have admitted that the secret military alliance between France and Belgium is a forgery.

It is now stated that he first offered his fictitious treaty, which he confessed was modelled on the old agreement between France and Russia, to a German espionage bureau at Muiheim.

This bureau, however, on examination of the documents expressed doubts regarding their authenticity and rejected his offer.

Afterwards he sold the Treaty and the "Minutes" to the Dagblad through an Antwerp journalist, for whom a warrant for arrest has now been issued.

Heine does not consider that he sold France or Belgium. "I merely cheated a buyer," he said, "and that's a venial swindle."—Reuter.

Action in Berlin.

Berlin, Mar. 3.
Three Russians and a German woman have been arrested and charged with manufacturing and selling political documents of the highest importance.—Reuter.

RUN ON FOOCHOW BANK.

MILD SENSATION CAUSED
BY RUMOURS.

CLERK IN TROUBLE.

Foochow, Feb. 26.
A small sensation has been caused in Chinese circles here by an attempt to create a "run" on the American Oriental Bank.

It is stated that on Saturday, it was discovered that a clerk had been falsifying the accounts and had succeeded in defrauding the Bank to the extent of over \$2,500. The alleged culprit fled away.

MEXICAN REVOLT REPORTED.

Capital Cut off From
Vera Cruz.

TROOPS ON THE MOVE.

Mexico City, Mar. 3.
The capital has been thrilled with reports that a revolution has broken out at Vera Cruz, with which communications are at present completely interrupted.

Lorry loads of troops passed through the city this afternoon.—Reuter.

but he was arrested by the police about 30 ft from Foochow on Sunday night.

In the meantime, handbills had been scattered broadcast throughout the city, alleging that the Bank had very little capital, and that large unauthorised loans had been made which could not be recovered.

The result was a mild "run" on the Bank on Monday, but as all demands were met without difficulty, the rush soon ceased, and anxiety has now completely died down.—Our Own Correspondent.

Attempted Desertion?

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AMERICAN NAVAL MYSTERY.

THREE MEN MISSING
FROM CRUISER.

THOUGHT TO HAVE PERISHED
IN PHILIPPINES.

SEARCH PARTY FAILS.

Manila, Feb. 27.
The light cruiser U.S.S. Milwaukee, which made the trip through the southern islands with other ships of the Asiatic Fleet returned to Manila yesterday morning, minus three sailors, who are reported to have been lost on the island of Palawan.

The sailors, all Americans, went ashore last Thursday and failed to return to the ship, the reports say.

A search party composed of two men was sent ashore to look for the missing men, but failed to locate them. A bigger party was sent ashore the following day to scour the island but likewise failed to find any trace of the three members of the crew.

Investigation Ordered.

Later.
A formal investigation has been ordered of the mysterious disappearance of three sailors from one of the Asiatic fleet cruisers at Coron Island while the fleet was on its southern Philippine cruise. Speculation on the strange incident has grown to intriguing proportions in the last few days.

Some reports still have it that the three missing men were from the U.S.S. Milwaukee, which was anchored in Coron Bay last week. But high navy officers state that the men were from the U.S.S. Memphis, which is to return from Olango to-day or tomorrow. A formal investigation is ordered as soon as the ship reaches Manila. The Memphis was also in Coron Bay last week while the Milwaukee was there.

Lost Their Lives.

There are many theories to account for the disappearance of the three men. It is generally conceded that they lost their lives. How they were killed is the basis of the mystery.

On Friday or Saturday of last week, a recreation party went ashore on Coron Island from the Memphis. This consisted of 20 or 30 men. Two of them were missing when the shore boat returned.

A searching party, according to reports, was sent out after them the next day. This party consisted of two men. Neither, reports further say, was an officer. This searching party is still missing.

One of the two who were originally missing is said to have returned to the ship after the searching party was sent out. He told various stories, according to reports. The gist of his tale was that his companion was drowned and that he narrowly escaped death at the hands of a huge ape which attacked him. He will be questioned at the investigation.

Many Caves Found.

Coron Island is a bleak and desolate place with but few inhabitants, only a short distance from Cullon. A cliff rises from the bay to a height of several thousand feet. This cliff is honeycombed with caves and fissures.

In some of the caves, exploring parties claim to have discovered wicker baskets and appurtenances which indicate that natives have used these caves for burial places.

Some of those who scaled the cliff to the top reported that the ground above was honeycombed and unsafe to walk upon. In one place a man narrowly escaped falling into what was described as a "bottomless" pit when the ground gave way under him.

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AN EMBEZZLEMENT AFFAIR.

"WANTED" MAN TRACED TO
HONGKONG.

MANILA APPLICATION.

Manila, Mar. 2.
Joseph L. Wilson, wanted in the Philippine Islands for embezzlement of Pesos 200,000 from the San Carlos Milling Company, is probably now in Canton. He left Hongkong for that city on February 25, according to advices from Hongkong authorities received yesterday at the office of the Attorney General.

At the instance of the Attorney General, Acting Governor General Eugene A. Gilmore sent a cable to Hongkong asking for the extradition of Wilson. After a thorough investigation, the Hongkong authorities wired back stating that Wilson was no longer there but had left for Canton last Monday.

The Attorney General is now studying the question to determine whether the Philippine Islands, or the United States, has extradition treaties with Canton. Extradition papers have already been prepared to be ready for the return of Wilson if found in any Chinese city with which the United States has extradition treaties.

The Attorney General at the same time has prepared the motion for the dismissal of Wilson's appeal to the Supreme Court. Copy of the motion was furnished Gregorio Perfecto, counsel for the defence, yesterday afternoon. The motion for dismissal will be forwarded to the acting Chief Justice of the Supreme Court this morning.

The Supreme Court is only waiting for his motion to dismiss the appeal. When the Supreme Court dismisses the appeal of Wilson, the record will be sent to the trial court and the decision of the lower court then becomes final.

The judge of the Court of First Instance which tried him will then read the decision, sentencing him to about 21 years of imprisonment for estafa, and estafa through falsification of documents. The bondsmen will then be called to the Court and will be informed that if they cannot produce Wilson within a certain period of time, the bond will be confiscated.

Four persons put up a bond totalling Pesos 23,000 for Wilson's temporary liberty pending the Supreme Court's decision on his appeal. They are: Mrs. Lucila San Jose and Agapito R. Conchuc, lawyer, putting up a bond of Pesos 21,000; and Vicente Sotto, lawyer, and Miss Maria Ojeda, putting up a bond of Pesos 7,000.

LEAGUE COUNCIL MEETING.

BRITISH DELEGATION
ARRIVES AT GENEVA.

London, Mar. 3.
Sir Austen Chamberlain and other members of the British delegation to the meeting of the Council of the League of Nations, which opens to-morrow, arrived at Geneva this morning.—British Wireless.

FILM COMBINE.

BIG CORPORATIONS UNDER
ONE CONTROL.

New York, Mar. 4.
A film combine involving total assets of \$45,000,000 is indicated by an announcement that William Fox has acquired control of Loew's Incorporated. The amalgamation also includes the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer combination.—Reuter.

THE U.S. PRESIDENCY.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT'S
CONGRATULATIONS.

Shanghai, Mar. 4.
Dr. C. T. Wang, Minister for Foreign Affairs, has sent out a congratulatory telegram to Washington, on behalf of the National Government, in connection with the inauguration of Mr. Hoover as President.—Nam Chung Pao.

\$800 CHEQUE FOR MINERS.

THE M.C.L. MAKES BIG
ALLOCATION.

THREE CHINESE DONATIONS
INCLUDED IN SUM.

SWEEP WIN GIFT.

We are happy to announce to-day the receipt of another very substantial donation to the Lord Mayor's Fund for the relief of distress amongst British miners and their families.

This is a cheque for \$800 forwarded by Mrs. H. T. Cressy, President of the Hongkong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League, the 1928 Committee of which, at a meeting held on February 21st, for the purpose of making its yearly distribution of funds, decided to allocate this sum to the Miners' Fund.

Chinese Generosity.

It should be mentioned that a donation of \$300 was given by three Chinese friends to the M.C.L. funds, on the understanding that this sum should be devoted to the British Miners' Fund, and the amount is included in the \$800 now sent us by Mrs. Cressy. The donors of this \$300 are Messrs. Tang Chi-nong, Tang Shu-ku and Mark Shu-chor.

This handsome donation is much appreciated, and we desire to thank the M.C.L. for their allocation of \$500, and the three Chinese gentlemen named for their kindly thought in remembering the suffering miners and their families.

Already, the Telegraph has been able to cable home drafts totalling more than \$300, and to-day's contributions will make it possible to despatch a further substantial sum this week.

Sweep Winner's Donation.

Amongst other contributions received to-day, is a sum of \$25 forwarded by the winner of one of the Sweepstakes at the recent Race Meeting.

The total won in the sweep, on Ticket No. 446 on Derby Day, was \$4,025, and the winner has very thoughtfully allotted the odd \$25 to the Miners' Fund. We should much appreciate donations of a similar character from those who have had good luck at the Races.

Other donations have also been received, bringing the Telegraph list above the \$4,000 mark. Amounts so far received by the Telegraph are:

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B.I. 10.
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With the return of severe weather to England, the necessity of further help for the miners and their families is stressed, and as the Telegraph Fund subscriptions are regularly cabled home, we would appeal to all who intend supporting the movement to send in their contributions without further delay.

I enclose herewith the sum of \$..... as a donation to the British Miners' distress Fund.
Name
Address

BRIGHTER WEATHER LIKELY.

The anticyclone has weakened and is now central to the north of the lower Yangtze valley. Fresh monsoon may be expected along the South-East coast of China and over the North China Sea. The forecast till noon to-morrow is: North-East winds, fresh, overcast at first, possibly clearing later.

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AIR ESTIMATES.

DECREASE OF £50,000 ON LAST YEAR.

London, Mar. 2.
In submitting the air estimates for the coming year, totalling £16,200,000 the Secretary for Air, in a memorandum, says that notwithstanding the growth of the Royal Air Force and Civil Aviation none of the votes shows any very notable variation and the total, as compared with last year, is actually reduced by £50,000. The present strength of the Royal Air Force is equivalent approximately to seventy-three squadrons, of which eight are on a cadre or auxiliary basis. In the past year, two squadrons have been added to the Indian establishment, two new units of flying boats have been formed and one new flight has been provided for the Fleet air arm. In 1929 it is intended to add an equivalent of seven new squadrons. The Air Minister states that increased reliability of air craft and aero engines, now in service has rendered it possible still further to reduce provision for air-craft and engine spares by £156,000.

Safety Devices.

Regarding safety devices, it is stated that the fitting of automatic slots to service air-craft is proceeding rapidly. A parachute is now provided for every machine in the service which is capable of carrying it, except seaplane air-craft. A new design of quick release attachment for use in these latter has been made out but requires further development before it is finally pronounced suitable. In 1928 six lives were saved by aid of parachutes.

The New Airships.

The airships, the R100 and R101, should be completed early in the financial year. Construction has taken longer than was anticipated due to fact that both airships represent a great step forward in size and embody novel principles of design. The airships should make their flying trials in the spring, and the Air Minister hopes to see flights to overseas bases, such as Karachi and Montreal, successfully carried out during the year. An airship tower which the Canadian Government undertook to erect at the Imperial Conference has now been completed at the Saint Hubert air port at Montreal. A site for an airship base at Grouville near Durban, has been acquired by the Union of South Africa Government. A shed at Karachi has been erected. Erection of a mooring tower at Karachi by the Government of India is making good progress and should be finished during the summer.—British Wireless.

Strict Economy.

A Reuter message says: The Air Estimates amount to £16,200,000, a decrease of £50,000 as compared with 1928. The gross total is £19,645,000 being an increase of £510,000 which, in a memorandum, Sir Samuel Hoare, Minister for Air, points out, is outweighed by a slightly larger increase in appropriations in aid.

He declares that the result has been achieved by the most strenuous efforts of economy, and that "a progressive reduction in the net Air Estimates cannot be expected to continue."

SEVERE WINTER.

THE BOSPHORUS BLOCKED BY ICEFLOES.

Helsingfors, Mar. 2.
Evidence that the severity of the European winter of 1929 is unprecedented is indicated by a proposal to establish omnibus services between Sweden and Finland via the Aaland Islands.—Reuter.

Constantinople, Mar. 2.
All Bosphorus traffic is suspended, the sea being blocked by ice floes from the Danube and the Black Sea.—Reuter.

A CANTON CHARGE.

ILLITERATE CHINESE TO BE EXTRADITED.

An extremely interesting case raising the question of whether an ignorant man unable to read or write can be considered an active communist agent and propagandist and agitating against the three Principles, was raised in the Provisional Court at Shanghai last Saturday before Judge Shen and Senior Consul's Deputy Mr. H. E. Stevens, in the trial of a Chinese coolie charged with communism.

The question also came up whether the Provisional Court was bound by Chinese laws when they are in conflict with the Rendition Agreement, and whether the Court should function as the alleged weapon of Chinese authorities outside the Settlement seeking redress against persons under the jurisdiction of the Settlement authorities.

The hearing was also marked by several minor clashes between the Consul's Deputy, Mr. Stevens, and the Police Prosecutor, Mr. R. T. Bryan.

The question of communism being a crime came with the application of the Bureau of Public Safety for the extradition of Liang Woo, who had been arrested on the Garden Bridge on the 15th Feb. and found to have in his possession certain documents that linked him with the communist party in China.

Charge Against Defendant.

Woo had faced the court once before but the case was remanded and on Saturday a further charge was lodged against him as follows:

"For that he during 1928 and early in 1929 did in Canton propagate a doctrine irreconcilable with the Three People's Principles and hold an opinion disadvantageous to the revolution, contrary to Article 6 of the Provisional Criminal Code for the suppression of counter revolution."

In a lengthy address to the Court, Mr. Bryan said that the law provided that in certain circumstances when a man surrendered himself as a communist he could be leniently dealt with at the discretion of the court. The article, he said, had been further explained by several that followed at later intervals and he quoted those that bore on communism under the laws of the Nationalist Government. The last was to the effect that a conviction on a charge of being a communist was to be deemed a crime against the internal security of the State and was to be dealt with under Article 1 of the Criminal Code. It was Mr. Bryan's opinion that there was no question that communism was against the Three People's Principles, as laid down by the father of the Chinese republic, and while he could not personally agree that anyone guilty of a crime against the Government was to be branded a communist, nevertheless it was a law and it was his duty to see that the law was lived up to.

Conversion Confessed.

He said that the main question before the court was to decide whether the accused was a communist or not and he produced a statement alleged to have been made and signed by the accused in which he confessed his conversion to communist doctrines.

Mr. Stevens questioned the accused, who said he was not a communist and had not the slightest idea of what communism was. He said he was a member of a secret society of workers known as "Lau Kong-kong Wei" (Labourer's Unit) and that they were not knowingly communists or had any leanings toward Soviet principles. Their main function, he said, was to preserve peace among labourers.

When asked if he had heard of the Three People's Principles he replied in the affirmative after a long wait and said that as he could neither read nor write he could not understand it for

THE SAMOANS.

SUCCESSFUL OPENING NIGHT AT STAR THEATRE.

A large audience gathered for the appearance of "The Samoan Dancers" at the Star Theatre last night, the first appearance of any troupe of Samoan dancers here. The unique entertainment that was promised was amply fulfilled, and there was nothing but the warmest applause for the various numbers which were given.

Owing to the unusual nature of the performance it is not an easy matter to give a true impression by means of words, and the best advice we can give is to go and see them.

Wearing native Samoan costumes, the members of the troupe presented a programme which was typical of their own country, including the famous "Siva Siva" which defies adequate description, and songs. Three of the troupe were prominent throughout with ukulele renderings and were called upon more than once to give encores. Princess Roselani sang sweetly and quaintly, while the concerted vocal numbers, particularly the war songs which were sung in the Samoan language, were particularly striking and strangely stirring. Much has already been said in the local Press with regard to the "Siva Siva" and this has not been exaggerated. The perfect union that marked the movements of the troupe, both in this dance, if dance it can be called, and in other numbers was a feature of the performance. Miss Faye proved herself to be a clever toe dancer, while at the conclusion she rendered a Scottish dance in pleasing fashion.

Altogether this troupe are offering something that has never been seen in Hongkong before, and there is no doubt that the success of their first performance will result in big houses during their short stay in the Colony.

Prior to the appearance of the Samoans a short picture programme is given.

himself and what ideas he had of the subject were passed to him by friends in general conversation. At this juncture Mr. Bryan and Mr. Stevens clashed with the latter maintaining that communism was a crime against the Laws of China at the same time anyone surrendering on that charge could be condoned of his crime.

Reluctant Acquiescence.

Mr. Stevens pointed out that according to the evidence of the accused, he was out of work and was taking anything that came along and promised an existence. He was an extremely ignorant man and to accuse him of being an active communist and Soviet propagandist was rather far-fetched.

As for the Chinese laws being obeyed, Mr. Stevens was in full accord but he said that when they came in conflict with the Rendition Agreement it was time to pause and give the matter a closer scrutiny and he was not inclined to permit of the handing over of the accused until he knew more about the case. In this instance he thought that the Chinese authorities outside the Settlement wanted the man to be made an example of and he was not in accord.

Judge Shen said that he thought it should be left to the politicians to decide between the principles of communism and the Three People's Principles and that the matter for the court to decide was whether communism was allowed by the Nationalist Government. As it was specifically legislated against, and as the accused had confessed to being a communist, he could not see why the man should not be handed over. He pointed out that the crime for which the man was wanted was not specifically the Garden Bridge affair, but the further charge from Canton and after further arguing on both sides, Mr. Stevens reluctantly agreed and the extradition was granted.

WHO'S WHO.

PASSENGERS ON THE PRESIDENT TAFT.

Among the passengers arriving on the s.s. President Taft on Saturday from Seattle and Victoria were: Senator Juan B. Alegre and his son Narciso bound for Manila. Dr. Alegre is a member of the Philippine Senate. Mr. C. T. Bauman of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey, enroute to Manila. Mr. F. N. Clark, Associated with the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey. Mr. Clark is accompanied by his wife and daughter, Miss Virginia and they are destined to Hongkong. Dr. Chas. A. Fanton, dentist of Los Angeles, California enroute to Manila. Mrs. Nena H. Foster, accompanied by her two children Miss Jeannette and Master Frank is going to Manila. Mrs. Foster is associated with the Bureau of Insular Affairs. She will teach in Manila. Madame Galli Curci and her party are enroute to Manila. Mr. and Mrs. Homer Samuels (Galli Curci and husband), Mr. Lawrence Evans, pianist, Mr. Louis Alberghini, flutist, Miss Anna Ristel, maid, form the party. Madame Galli Curci is the famous coloratura soprano singer formerly with the Chicago Civic Opera Company. Ensign F. R. Gossett, connected with the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, accompanied by Mrs. Gossett, are going to Manila. Lt. S. B. Grenell and Mrs. Grenell are enroute to Manila. Lt. Grenell is connected with the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey. Miss Eliza T. Hall and Miss Fanny A. Hall of Chicago, Ill., are making a pleasure trip around the world. They are school teachers. Mr. and Mrs. H. Justice, passengers for Hongkong. Mr. Justice is connected with the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey. Mr. Charles E. Manear, accompanied by Mrs. Manear, are enroute to Hongkong. Mr. Manear is with the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey. Mr. James E. McKenna, U. S. Consul at Canton is a passenger for Hongkong. Mr. George E. Oliver, representative of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey is enroute to Hongkong in the interests of his Company. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Perrin, and daughter, Maude, are travelling to Manila. Mr. and Mrs. P. Weatherhead, and their daughter, Miss E. C. Wilder, are going to Manila. Mr. Weatherhead is connected with the Bureau of Insular Affairs.

MUSICAL DINNER.

SUCCESSFUL INNOVATION AT LANE CRAWFORD'S.

On Saturday night, diners at Lane Crawford's were treated to a special Musical Dinner and those who went, came away with the impression that the management are to be heartily congratulated for their enterprise to provide music lovers with so welcome an innovation.

Despite several counter attractions, the dining room was filled quite early with those to whom the music meant quite as much if not more than the dinner. The Symphony Orchestra of H.M.S. Suffolk, with their string instruments, provided an excellent selection of music, carefully selected for the occasion, and the diners showed their appreciation in no uncertain manner. Added to this, a distinctly well-selected menu, served by a battalion of smart waiters, made the occasion one to be long remembered by those who were at Lane Crawford's on Saturday.

The public should look out for the next musical dinner at Lane Crawford's, for those who love a hearty meal and good music will find that the Restaurant's musical dinners are just the thing.

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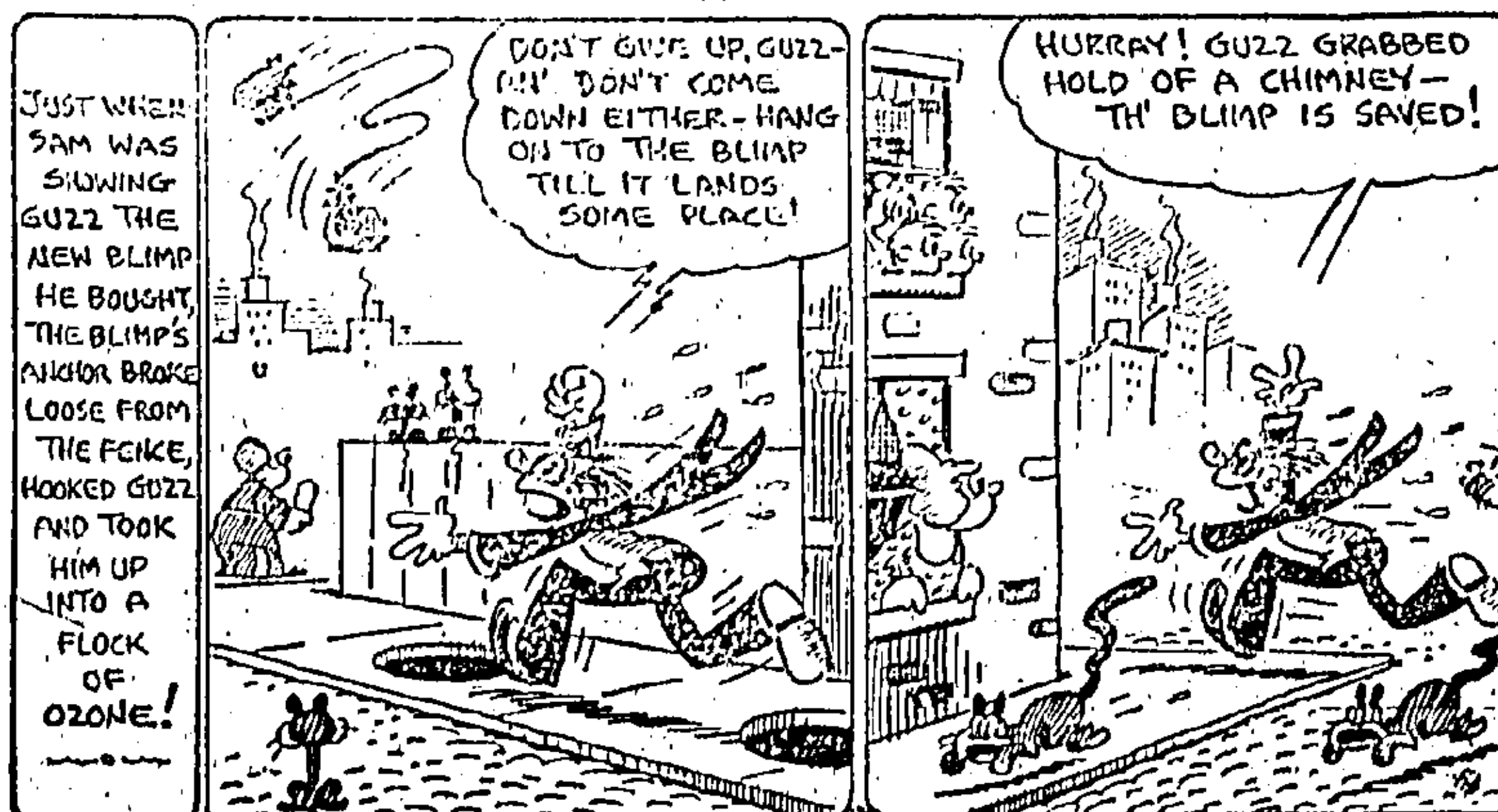
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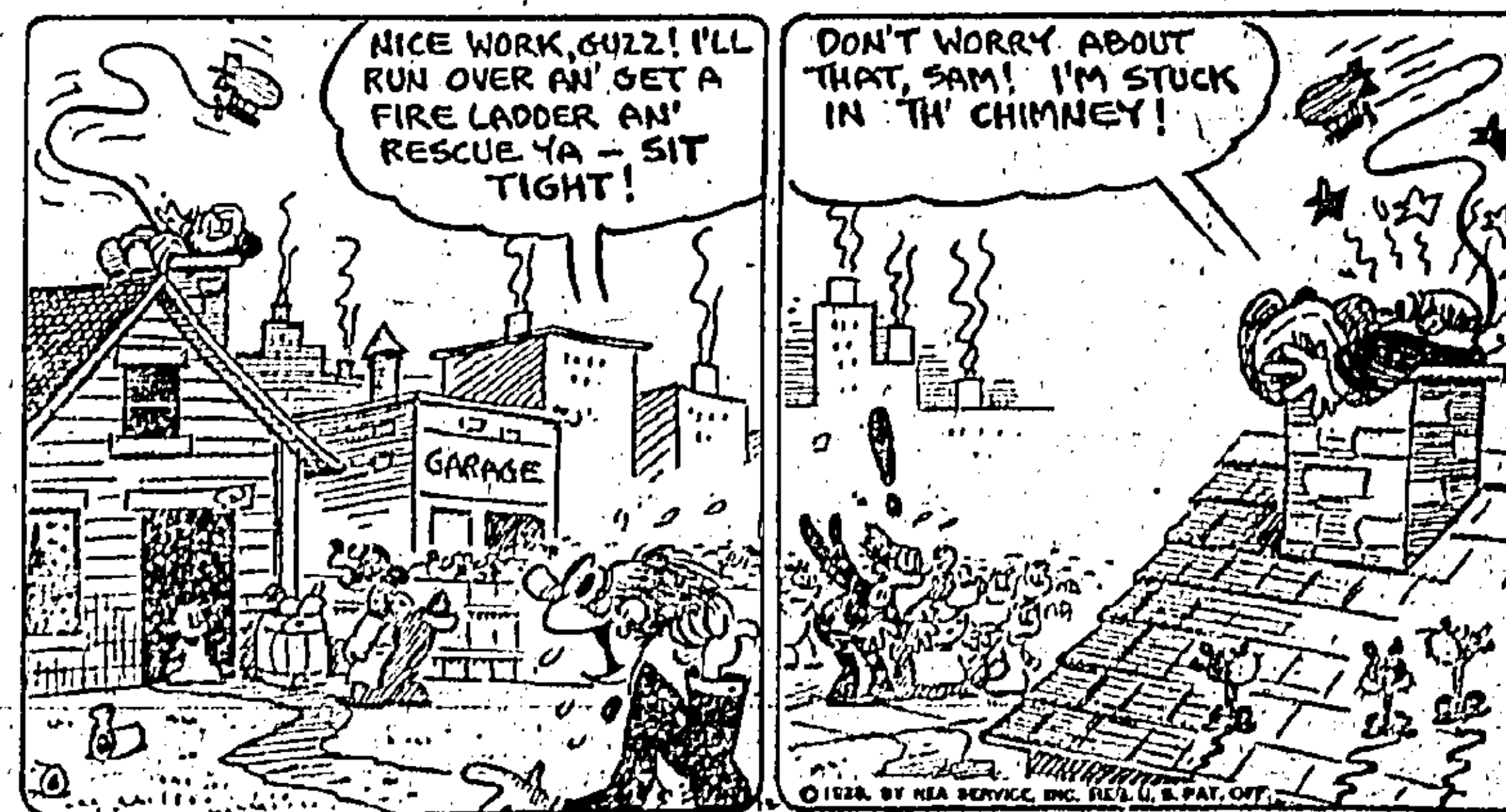


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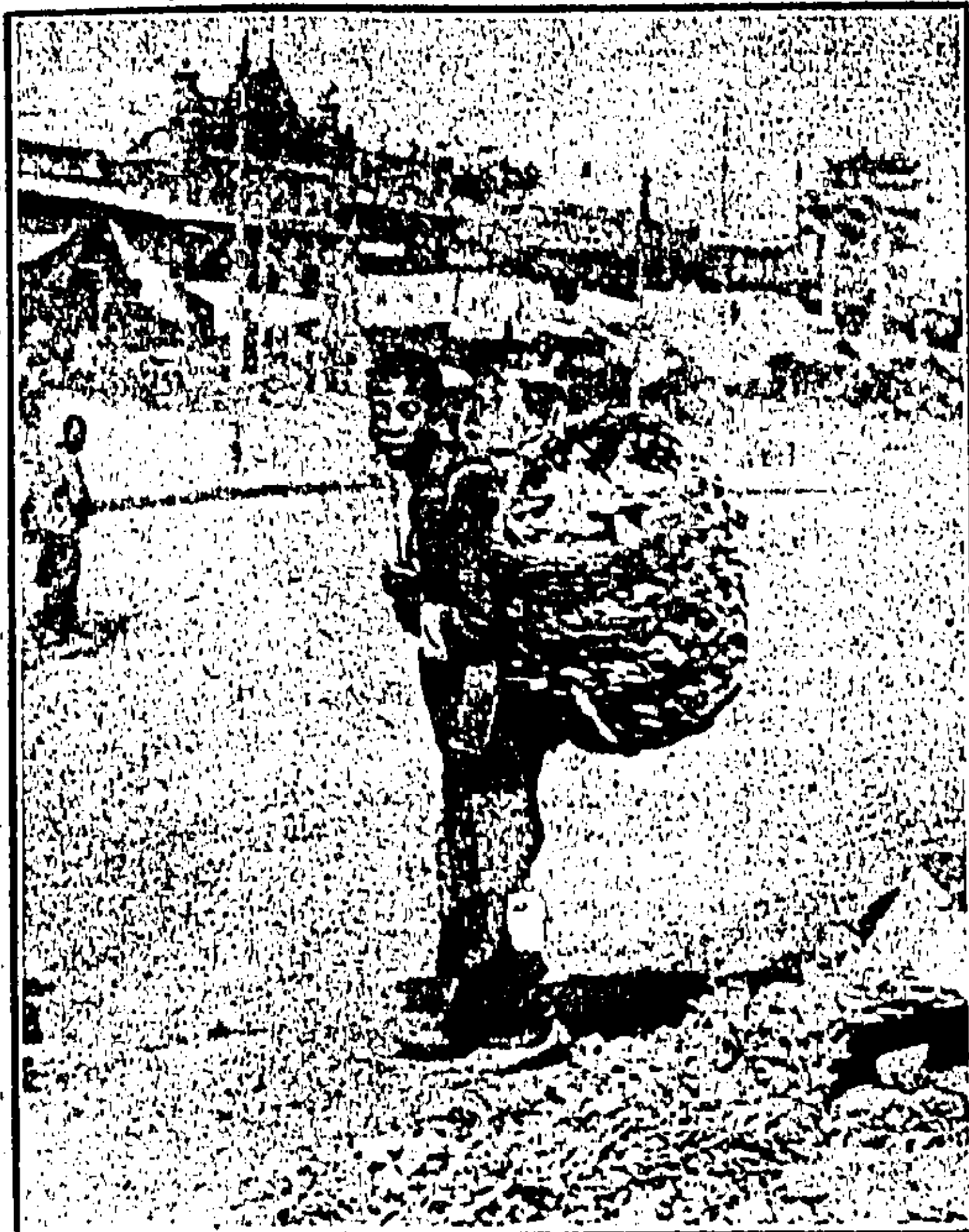
Obeying Orders



By Small



Our picture shows the "beautiful" roads of Peking. See the donkeys kicking up the dust, less than a furlong from the Central Police Station. What a prospect for the splendid tarmac streets of the Legation Quarter, or of any of the Foreign Settlements in China.



A street scavenger in Peking.



Mr. Herbert Hoover is to take over the presidency of the United States from President Coolidge to-day. Above he is seen walking with the "first lady of the land" on the decks of the U.S.S. Maryland.



Here Mr. Hoover is shown in Santiago de Chile in the course of his recent tour.



Skating and ice-yachting are in full swing on the lakes near Berlin. Our picture shows ice-yachts on the Muggelsee. Heavy falls of snow have been reported from many parts of Germany. (Times copyright).



A formerly well-to-do, hard-working Shantung farmer holding a sample of his corn crop, the ears of which were from two to four inches long with a few scattered grains in them. This man may scrape through the famine by selling off his land at from 10 to 20 per cent. of its value.



Photo taken at a banquet in the China United Apartments Shanghai by the Association of American University women at which an enjoyable concert by local talent was rendered. The husbands and men friends of the members were guests on this occasion.



Commissioner James Hay, the President of the High Council of the Salvation Army, mentioned as one of the possible successors to Bramwell Booth. Commissioner Higgins was appointed.

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The K crepe-soled shoe has three soles—one of leather and two outer soles of finest quality plantation rubber.

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WANTED.—By half March, Large room with verandah, and private flush W.C. if possible overlooking Harbour, not higher than Caine Road, Kowloon not objected. Please apply P. O. Box 616.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The RAFFLE for the ESSEX, 5-seater car was won by ticket No. 5.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The First Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 9th March, 1929, commencing at 2 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.00 for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead and Davis at \$5.00 each up to Friday, 8th March, 1929.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2.00.

Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Bookmakers, Tic men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during Race Meetings.

NOTICE.

It is hereby notified that I am no longer connected with the Dragon Motor Car Co., Ltd., as from this date.

C. H. HOARE.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1929.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty-fifth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 14th March, 1929, at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1928, and to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer books of the Company will be closed from Friday, the 8th March, 1929, until Thursday, 14th March, 1929, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1929.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fortieth Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on Friday, 22nd March, 1929, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1928, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 11th March, 1929, to 22nd March, 1929, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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Entrance Fee, 50cts.
All are welcomed.
H. C. SMITH,
Hon. Secretary.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 9th March, 1929, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY the 4th day of March, 1929 to WEDNESDAY the 13th day of March, 1929, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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Goods not cleared by the 10th March, 1929, will be subject to rent. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co's representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1929.

The quarrel between Bavaria and Prussia has been terminated with a formal apology by the Bavarian Ambassador in Berlin. The Prussian Ambassador to Bavaria, who had been recalled by the Prussian Government, is now to return to Munich.

Mr. George Carey Underwood, fruiterer, St. Anne's-road, Harrow, was recently found in an Uxbridge-bound Metropolitan train shot through the head. He died later.

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from Lt. Col. L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O. to sell by Public Auction,

on FRIDAY, the 8th March, 1929, commencing at 3.00 p.m.

At the Commanding Officer's Quarters, No. 14, The Peak, A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

(Catalogues will be issued.) On View from Thursday, the 7th March, 1929.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

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THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION

IN FOUR LOTS on Tuesday,

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THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES

LOT NO. 1.—The property known as Nos. 99D, 99E and 99F WELLINGTON STREET comprises

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with basements situate in the centre of the city on the piece of ground registered in the Land Office as Section B of Inland Lot No. 503

having an area of 4193 square feet or thereabouts. The property is ripe for re-development purposes. The Annual Crown rent payable on this property is \$5.63.

Further information and Copies of the Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained from:—

MESSRS. HASTINGS DENNIS & BOWLEY, Solicitors,

8, Des Voeux Road Central, or

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LOT NO. 2.—The property known as No. 180 WELLINGTON STREET is an

excellent class three storied Chinese shop and dwelling house with iron balconies in front situate in the centre of the city on the piece of ground registered in the Land Office as Section 12 of Inland Lot No. 8 having an area of 723 square feet or thereabouts. The

Annual Crown rent payable on this property is \$12.00.

LOT NO. 3.—The property known as No. 360 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL and No. 47 LOWER LASCAR ROW are excellent class three storied Chinese shops and dwellings. No. 360 Queen's Road Central has an attic storey on the roof and No. 47 Lower Lascar Row a basement. The property is situate on the piece or parcel of ground registered in the Land Office as Subsection 1 of Section AB of Inland Lot No. 211 having an area of 1273 square feet or thereabouts. The Annual Crown rent payable on this property is \$21.81.

LOT NO. 4.—The property known as No. 1 CASTLE ROAD is a semi-detached two storied European residence situate in the central district of the city on the middle levels in a favourite residential locality on the piece or parcel of ground registered in the Land Office as Section B of Inland Lot No. 503 having an area of 4193 square feet or thereabouts. The property is ripe for re-development purposes. The Annual Crown rent payable on this property is \$5.63.

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All particulars as to ships in communication, rates, etc., may be obtained at the Radio Office as above.

Radio Telegrams may be sent to Europe, America, Philippine Islands, Dutch East Indies and many other destinations; also to Canton and many places in South China. Full particulars at the Radio Office.

Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.

Letters and postcards for Europe and the British Isles are forwarded via Siberia if so requested.

REGISTERED and PARCELS MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

It is hereby notified that on and after 1st January, 1929:—

(a) the radio rate on messages to Macao will be 10 cents per word, and

(b) the charges on messages to all Ship Stations, irrespective of Nationality, will be on the basis of a word rate, pure and simple, with no minimum charge.

Radio telegrams are now accepted for transmission to Swabine at \$0.30 per word. The receiving station will collect the charge due to its Service.

Direct wireless communication has now been established between Hongkong and the Kiangsi Stations at Wuchow, Nanning and Luichow—the charge is \$0.20 per word. Messages will also be accepted for Kwong Yang and Changsha by above routes—the charge being \$0.30 per word. No charge will be collected from the addressees for the delivery service.

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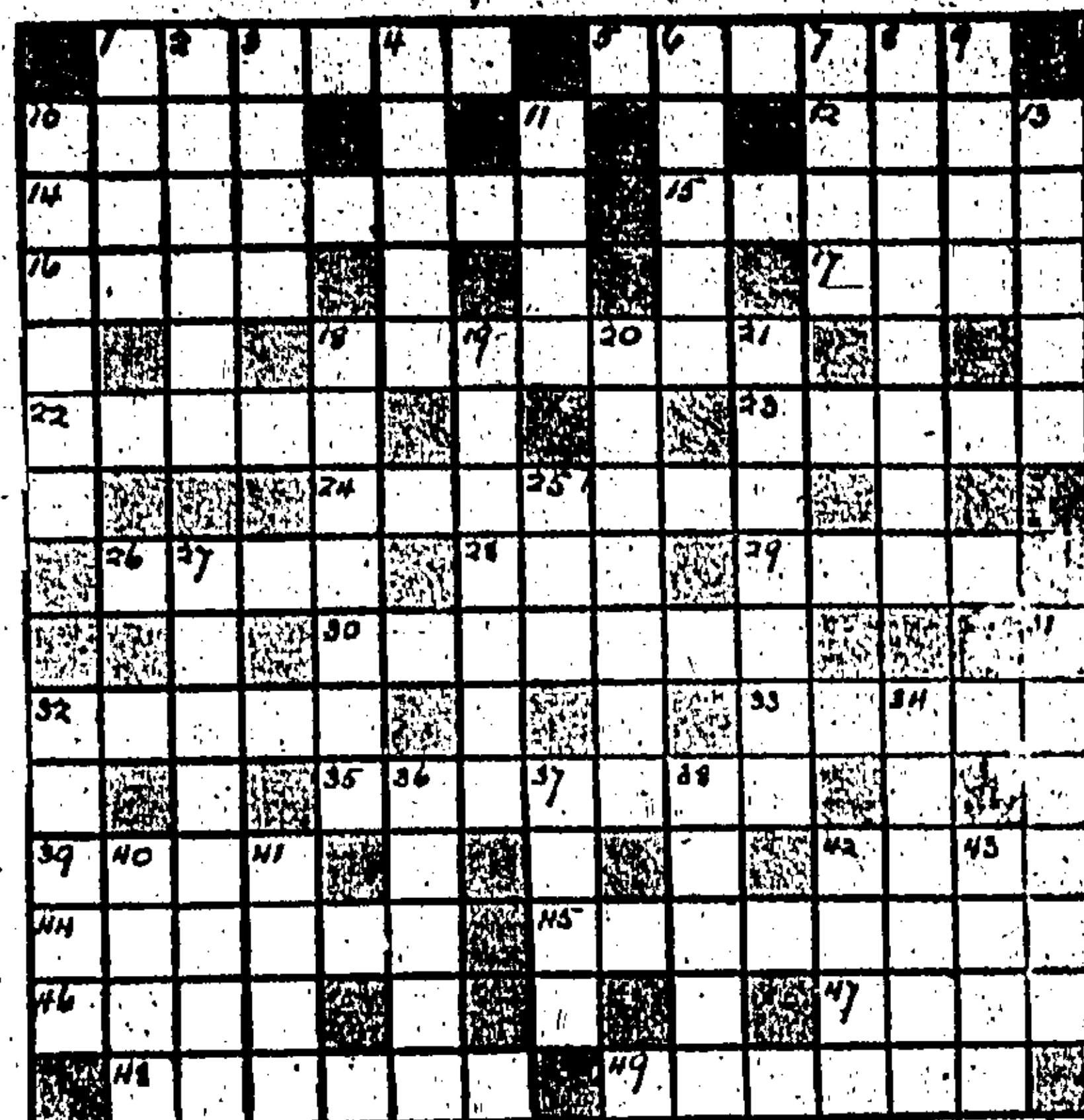
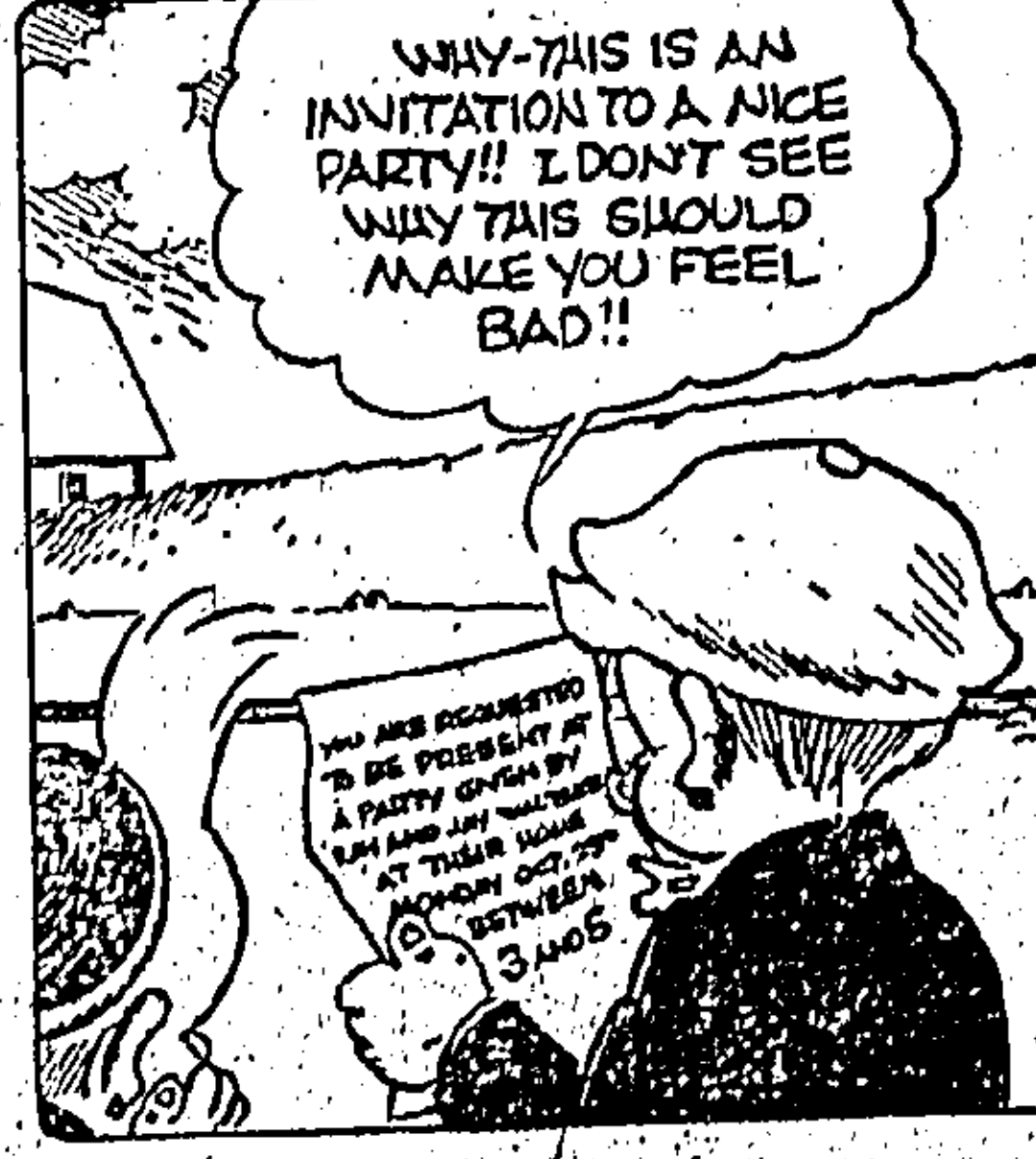
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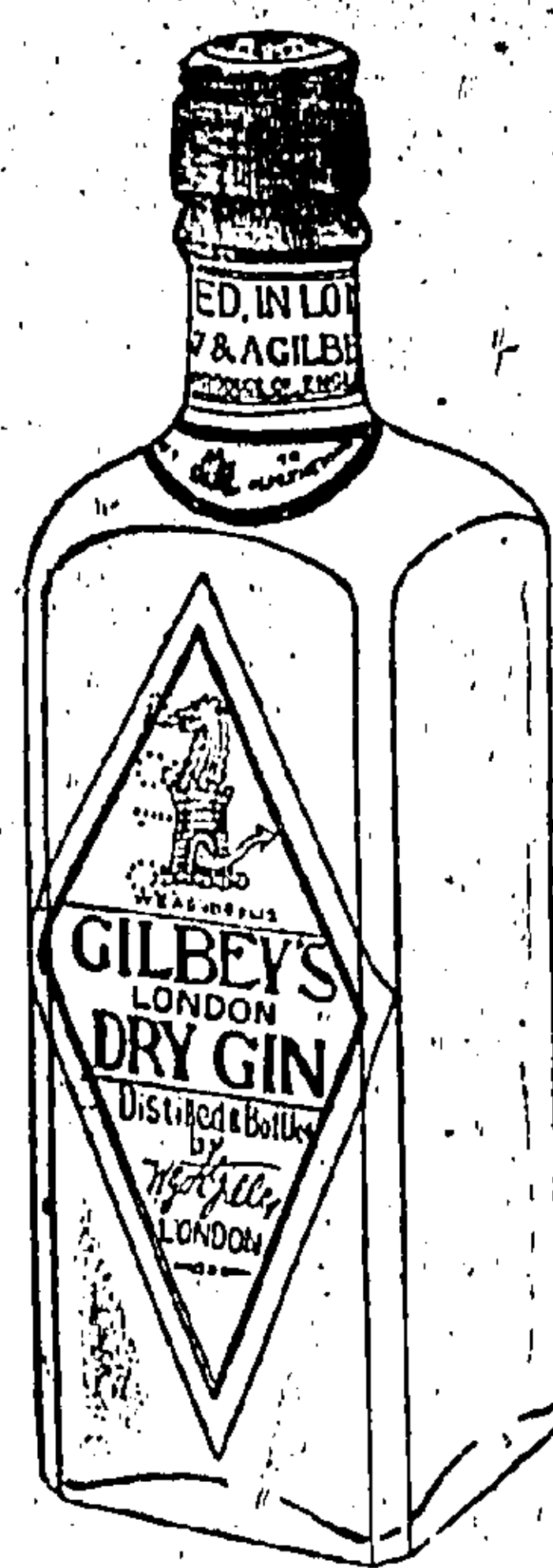
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HONESTY.****FASHION'S TRAP FOR RAIL-
WAY BOOKING CLERKS.**A new problem for railway
booking clerks, according to a cor-
respondent of the G. W. R.
Magazine, is raised by the facility,
recently introduced, by which
children up to the age of 14 are
granted half fares."Whilst in the case of males,"
he writes, "this will make no more
difficulty than hitherto, in the case
of females there arises a serious
question, namely, how is one to
distinguish between a female of
14 and one of any age upward to
about 45?"The universal fashion of bob-
bed hair, short skirts, and a
bloom of youth supplied by
cosmetics, he asserts, is going to
create embarrassments for the
booking clerk."I foresee a time," he adds,
"when grandma, aged about 45,
slides up to a booking office, and
in a plaintive, small voice, asks
for a half-ticket to 'Some-where-
on-Sea,' and gets it.""While admitting there is an
element of facetiousness in the
foregoing, I say also there is an
element of fact."**NEW PRESIDENT.****MR. HOOVER TAKES OVER
OFFICE TO-DAY.**Washington, Mar. 3.
The streets of the city are
adorned with flags and bunting
and crowds of visitors are pour-
ing in to celebrate the inaugura-
tion of the new President and
vice-President on Monday.Pennsylvania Avenue, along
which Mr. Hoover will ride, is
lined from Capitol Hill to the
White House with gaily decorated
stands to hold the spectators.A reviewing stand has been
erected in front of the White
House, where Mr. Hoover will wit-
ness a two-hour parade of troops.
Glistening fresh white paint has
been used with effect, while the
decorations include golden eagles
and plaques bearing the arms of
the United States.Mr. Robert Paterson Lamont,
President of the Steel Foundries
Company, has been appointed head
of the Department of Commerce.
In Mr. Hoover's administration.
—Reuter's American Service.**Secretary for Agriculture.**New York, Mar. 3.
The New York Times learns that
Mr. Arthur Hyde, ex-Governor of
Missouri, will be Mr. Hoover's
Secretary for Agriculture.
—Reuter's American Service.**Posts Retained.**New York, Mar. 3.
Messrs. Nicholas Longworth and
John Tilson, the speaker and
majority floor leader, respectively,
of the old Congress, have been
selected for the same offices in the
new Congress.—Reuter's American
Service.**Address to be Relayed.**New York, Mar. 3.
The National Broadcasting
Company has arranged to re-
broadcast all over Britain Mr.
Hoover's inaugural address. The
speech will be picked up by the
B.B.C.'s experimental short wave
station at Chelmsford, and relayed
to London by land line, thence
broadcast all over the country.—
Reuter's American Service.**Cabinet Farewell.**New York, Mar. 2.
President Coolidge had an
emotional farewell of his Cabinet.
"I minded my own business," was
the only comment of the President
when interviewed on his record
of national economy and pro-
sperity.—Reuter's American Ser-
vice.**\$100,000 ART LAW SUIT.****SIR JOSEPH DUVEEN AND
"LA BELLE FERRONIERE."**New York, Feb. 5.
Art experts and many prominent
people thronged the
Supreme Court to-day for the
hearing of the \$100,000 libel action
that is being brought by Mrs.
Andree Lardoux Hahn, of Kansas
City and Paris, against Sir Joseph
Duveen. The Court was so
crowded that an extra force of
police and attendants had to be
summoned.The ground of the action is a
newspaper statement attributed to
Sir Joseph that the picture "La
Belle Ferroniere," which Mrs. Hahn
was trying to sell to the Kansas
City Museum was only a copy of
the famous painting by Leonardo
da Vinci, and not the original,
which is in the Louvre. Mrs.
Hahn will endeavour to show that
the finger prints on the canvas
are those of Leonardo.Sir Joseph Duveen, on the other
hand, maintains that the canvas,
which came into the possession of
Mrs. Hahn's family nine years
ago, is of a texture unknown in
the days of the Florentine Master
in the Fifteenth Century.**WOMAN'S WORLD
FOR OUR LADY READERS.****A Few of the Season's Smartest Bobs.**"It's 'fifty-fifty' for women now, if they would be
chic as to their hair. Some of the new bobs, many of
which are the long-shorts, show great change. Above, left
to right: The beauty bob shows the ears and curls the
back hair upwards in ringlets. The beauty curl bob is too
theatrical for utility but looks nice on young girls. Below,
left to right: The temple curl 'fifty-fifty' is reminiscent
of old spit-curl days. Picked as the bob destined to be
most popular is the Princess long bob which fastens the
ends of the hair with a barrette at the nape of the neck.
The new wind-blown bob has an irregular line over the
ears which is duplicated by the backline.**Spring Clothes.****THE NEW MATERIALS.**
The new spring materials are
now on the market. The designers
show our favourite materials in
new textures, patterns and colours
—often with a new name into the
bargain. There are also many
woolen fabrics that we have not
seen before. The colours are
bright without being garish—this
is undoubtedly to be a season of
gay colour and the texture is soft
and uncrushable.Jerseys abound. They are now
called jerseys, if you please, and
under this group come the new
Angoras and stockinette. Manu-
facturers now show Angora as fine
as silk, with just sufficient "body"
to hold its attractive furry surface.
Tweeds, in feather-weight, go
under the names of tollics and
fillics. Ondamoussa is a material
of which we have heard before, but
it makes up into such charming
spring walking dresses that it has
been included under the list of new
fabrics.The novelty of the season is
milletrous (a thousand holes). It
looks like very open-work crochet.
It is used for sweaters, cardigans
and pullovers, which are worn over
plain or figured crepe dresses which
show through the "thousand holes."
It is mounted on a fine silk net, and
must surely give stockinette an
opinion of itself which it never held
before.**Silent Hairdressing.**A certain hairdressing establish-
ment which offered to its men
patrons "silent service," has, I see,
found this to be a very strong
inducement to customers.
But this enterprising firm has
concluded that the same offer
would not prove attractive to
women patrons, because women
always enjoy talking about hair-
dressing fashions, and other
matters of moment, while they are
having their hair washed and
waved and otherwise cared for.But, surely it must be admitted
that there are women and women,
and that even those who are not
at all talkative, must, in these
days of shingling, have their hair
cut quite frequently.
And are these individuals to be
deprived of the soothing and
dream inducing effect of the
attendant's ministrations, which
it is pointed out, appeal quite
strongly to men, to be dragged into
conversations about varieties
of waves and special kinds of
shingles?
Again, would it not be a com-
forting thought for the timid, that
they need never fear again having
to consider the advisability, or the
sheer necessity, of purchasing
certain tonics unless they wish to
face the world at an early date
in a hairless condition? H.M. In
Exchange.**"Touchiness."****WHEN THE CAP FITS.**Not many people who have in-
dulged in the pastime of talking
vaguely about other people's short-
comings have reaped the harvest of
unwanted confidences which fell to
the lot of the heroine of "Her Past,"
the play in which Delysia appeared
recently in Edinburgh, but most peo-
ple have had the same sort of ex-
perience in another form.Unless one is in a position to
purge one's list of friends and ac-
quaintances of the names of all those
who exhibit a trace of touchiness,
one is almost certain to have nume-
rous opportunities of removing caps
that have been supposed to fit by the
wearers.Luckily it is nearly always the in-
dividual who adopts the indirect
method of attack herself, who sees
"digs" and slights where they were
never meant to be, so the conse-
quences to the one who has unwit-
tingly caused the offence are not
serious as a rule. On the other
hand, they can be amusing.Touchiness is really a sign of pet-
tiness.
If we realised how many people in
the world share our little failings,
and have many of the same charac-
teristics, could we ever be sure
enough that any vague criticism was
meant for us, to worry about it?**OUR NEW BRITISH CROSSWORDS.****Across**
1 Married.
5 Swamp plants.
10 A cupid.
12 Boers.
14 Indicating.
15 Purpose.
16 Withen.
17 Satiated.
18 Abstinence.
22 Picture stand.
23 Throws out.
24 Mineral found in coal.
26 Harvest.
28 Dress.
29 Sign of affection.
30 Bails of vegetable jelly.
32 Slave.
33 Rallies.
35 Takes ill.
36 Units of cloth measure.
42 Fro.
44 Floating.
45 Coase.
46 Afterpart of a ship's keel.
47 Units in cards.
48 Added to a border.
49 Slight offences.**Down**
1 Worked with a loom.
2 Overturns.
3 Valley.
4 The best.
6 Confederacy.
7 Head coverings.
8 Adherents of the Eleatic philo-
sophy.**9 Despatched.**
10 Whipped.
11 Eras.
12 Stalks.
13 Foot-covering.
19 Toy detonators.
20 Of great and dark antiquity.
21 Searchers.
25 Kindled.
27 Moted again.
31 Things spoken apart.
32 Sorrows.
34 Unimpaired.
36 Consumed.
37 Comfort.
38 Earth.
40 Sheet of water.
41 Waver.
42 Fasten securely.
43 Employes.**Saturday's Solution.**CLAM STRAP USFR
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ICED REGIN FRIA
CERISE TANGIBLE
COAK ELM
TEDIUM RADIATES
RAIN EMIT RAP
OGRE ROTOR PAGE
PEG W DEWEI ACRE
ERLITEG VESTED
ASH RAYS
TRUMPETS LEARNB
HARM BEPAL GALT
ALSO INANE ERNE
WEAN STRAD SEEM**"CONTRACT" BRIDGE.****PORTLAND CLUB'S DECISION.**The Portland Club have decided
that an English code of rules to
cover Contract Bridge is now
needed. In addition to permitting
the game to be played in the club,
they have issued a provisional
list of laws to govern the playing
of Contract in England.
The Portland Club have sent a
card of rules and a circular letter
to the following clubs: Baldwin,
Bath, Carlton, Conservative, De-
vonshire, National Liberal, Re-
form, St. Stephen's, White's, and
the Turf.
The latter, after pointing
out that there now appears to be a
sufficient need for a British code
to cover Contract Bridge, pro-
ceeds:"Although it is recognised that
it would be possible to produce a
game which might be found by
many players to be an improve-
ment on any hitherto played, the
card committee of the Portland
Club are not at present attempt-
ing to formulate a new game. But,
regarding the American game of
Contract as established, they are
provisionally accepting the Ameri-
can scoring and are adapting the
existing laws of 'Contract' to fit the
newer game of 'Contract'.
"Majority" Calling.
"Contract," the latter continues,
is being played at the Portland
Club for purposes of trial, as an
alternative game to ordinary
"Auction," but while "value bid-
ding" is the invariable rule for"Auction" at the Portland Club,
"majority calling" is being used
in the case of "Contract," since
"value bidding" would involve a
material alteration in the Ameri-
can game of "Contract."Briefly, the provisional laws are
the Portland Club rules for
"Auction," modified by the Ameri-
can scoring at "Contract" (in-
cluding the principle of a side
being "vulnerable") and the sub-
stitution of "majority calling."
The Portland Club revoke laws
stand unaltered.The Portland Club wish to make
it clear that the playing of "Con-
tract" as an alternative game at
the Portland Club is not an indica-
tion that it is to replace "Auction,"
nor an expression of the view
that "Contract" will supersede
"Auction" as a club game. They
recommend that the stakes should
be about one-third of those played
at "Auction."In the memorandum the Club
states: "The game consists of one
hundred (or more) points, ob-
tained by tricks which are scored
below the line. Only the tricks
contracted for are scored below
the line. Bonuses for extra tricks
made beyond the contract are
scored above the line.
"Each side winning a game be-
comes 'vulnerable.'"All the laws in "The Laws of
Auction Bridge" issued by the
Portland Club on March 1, 1928, it
is stated, apply to "Contract."
Bridge," except Law (2) and (3)
and Laws 23 to 29, which are
altered in respect of scoring. A
new law concerning "vulner-
ability" is introduced.**FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS****Ossie Is Mixed Up****By Blosser****IN THIS CHANGEABLE
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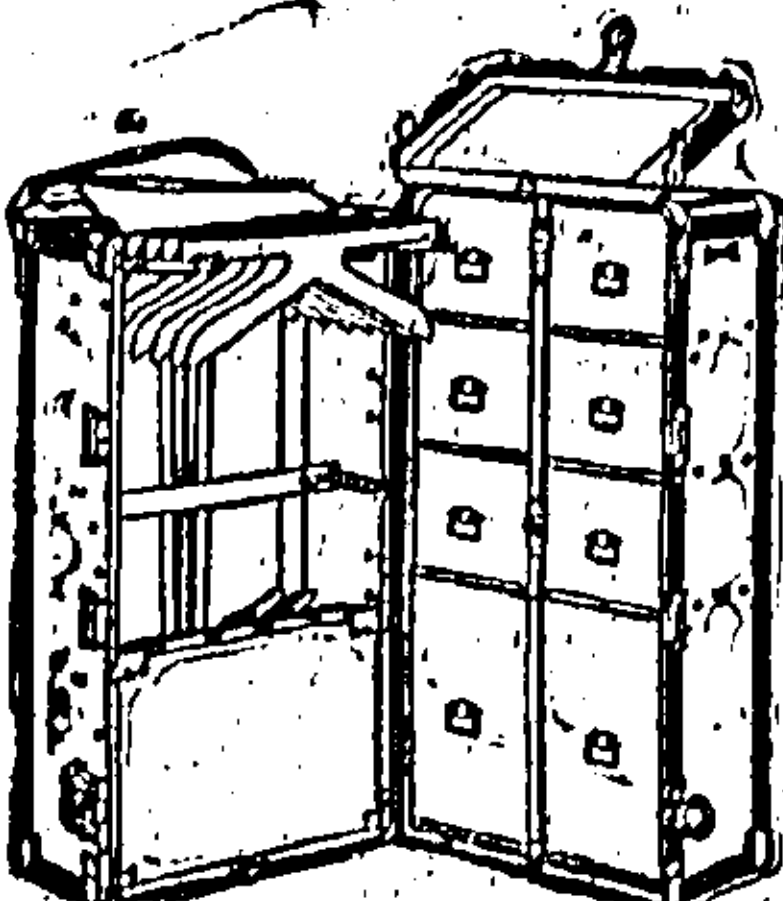
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BIRTHS.

FLEMING.—At Victoria Hospital on 4th March, to Katharine, wife of John Fleming, a daughter.

MAY.—At Hankow on February 27, to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. May, a daughter.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The marriage of Miss Jean Ho Tung, daughter of Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung and Mr. W. M. Gittins, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gittins, will take place on Tuesday, March 19th, 1929. No invitation cards will be issued, but all friends are cordially invited to the reception, to be held at "Idlewild," 8, Seymour Road, at 4 p.m.

**The
Hongkong Telegraph.**

MONDAY MARCH 4, 1929

LIBERAL DREAMS.

If we were to take the Liberal Party at Mr. Lloyd George's estimation, there would appear to be no need for any other political entity in the State. He claims for it that it is the only united Party, and, what is more, that it is the only Party able to carry through a really satisfactory programme of reform. Whatever else may be said of the Liberal leader, he does not suffer from undue modesty. With a General Election looming in the near future, however, it is perhaps only natural that all the Parties should begin to tell the electorate of the virtues which they either possess or imagine they do. We may therefore take Mr. Lloyd George's latest declarations with rather more than a grain of salt, regarding his utterance as being in the nature of elaborate window-dressing.

For the Liberal Party, its traditions and its usually balanced outlook, we have the greatest respect. Indeed, we think it would be a sorry day for British politics were it to be wiped out as a factor that counts. But we are not blind to its limitations, in which connexion its latter day rivalry with the Labour Party, seeking to attract support by "popular" cries, raises a doubt regarding the statesmanship of its leaders. We see an example of this in the parochial outlook of the Party in regard to the Singapore Naval Base. It is all very well to urge that that project should be held over until Home affairs have been attended to, but it is a very mistaken policy which would subordinate Imperial questions to purely domestic issues. The better way is to pay heed to the claims of both, and the Party which takes its stand on the due acknowledgment of this idea is obviously the Party which will

appeal to those possessing a wide and unrestricted outlook. When Mr. Lloyd George talks of the Liberals being the only united Party, he invites the rejoinder that its unity, if real, is of very recent realisation. Even long after the death of Lord Oxford, the Party was split into two factions, and there are to-day prominent members of it who do not altogether relish the idea of Mr. Lloyd George remaining at its head. How long the new-found unity will last, time will tell. Another of Mr. Lloyd George's observations which lays him open to the retort courteous is that the bye-elections have shown that the Labour vote is declining. He omits to mention, however, that alone of the three Parties the Labourites have been winning seats from their opponents. It is true that there has, in some of the contests, been a shrinkage of the Labour vote, but an even greater decline has been suffered by the other Parties. The reason is not far to seek, for, with a General Election on the horizon, far fewer voters have gone to the polls in recent bye-elections.

The Liberals, we are assured, have a cut-and-dried remedy for all the evils from which the country is at the moment suffering. So wonderfully conceived are the schemes that, according to Mr. Lloyd George, unemployment can be reduced to normal proportions within a year, without adding a penny to national or local taxation. The "Welsh Wizard" evidently believes in living up to his name, but the average individual will scarcely credit him with the power to solve, within the space of twelve months, the extremely complex and difficult problems which have baffled the best brains of the country for so long. Judging from the summary of his speech, there is nothing phenomenal or remarkably original about the Liberal schemes—certainly nothing which warrants the assertion that that Party alone is capable of putting them into effect. In his latest oration, Mr. Lloyd George rather reminds us of the boy who whistles to keep his courage up.

Chinese Shipping Officers.

In the absence of any assurance that a strict test of competence is to be applied, the announcement that the Nanking Government proposes to institute a system of compulsory registration of Chinese shipping officers and engineers appears to be worse than valueless. There is no indication that the possession of a "certificate of competency for the rank they hold" is to be made much more difficult than the payment of the required fees to the Nanking authorities, in which event it would seem that the effect of the order will be to give official sanction to a state of affairs admittedly disgraceful in many instances. The loss of the s.s. Hsin Wah within sight of Hongkong Harbour, at a cost of hundreds of lives, is attributed to the inexperience of the Second Officer, a Chinese, and such a disaster should have forced the hand of the Government. The action of the Nanking authorities, however, if it means no more than it seems to mean, will certainly fail to disarm the critics. The very fact that all Chinese holding responsible positions on steamers are required to obtain a license by the 28th of the present month, rather suggests that no investigation of a serious nature can possibly be contemplated, regarding the qualifications of the applicants. When it is borne in mind that foreign authorities demand of their sea-faring subjects that they shall rise in rank by slow stages, completing a certain period at sea as a Second Officer before they can possibly qualify as First Mate, and similarly in all other progressions, the failure of the Chinese Government to assume reasonable responsibility is highly censurable. Inexperienced officers are a danger not only to themselves, but to others using the same waters, and the sooner Nanking and Chinese shipping companies realise this the better. It may possibly be that the Nanking Government Department of Shipping has a scheme for examinations in mind which it will put into operation immediately the names of all Chinese officers on the active list have been secured. The only other motive we can see at present is the discovery of a new source of revenue.

DAY BY DAY.

A MAN HAS A NATURAL HORROR OF TEARS AS A WOMAN HAS OF BERTLES. HE IS HELPLESS BEFORE THEM.—Mrs. Almaz Stout.

Comm. Gunner (T) F. Brimingham has been appointed to H.M.S. Cornwall.

The P. and O. s.s. Moren, from Hongkong, arrived at Marseilles on 2nd March at 7 a.m.

H.M.S. Carysfort and H.M.S. Cleopatra left Malta for Port Said and the Far East on Sunday.

A ladies' watch was found on the Star Ferry wharf at Kowloon, yesterday, and was handed over to the Water Police Station.

Divisional Inspector Paine, formerly attached to Central, has been seconded to the Shamsham Police Force, and has left to take charge of his new post.

The death took place, from peritonitis, at the International Hospital, Hankow, yesterday, of Stoker Frederick Charles Anderson, late of H.M.S. Castor.

A cargo boat in drawing out from the Chiu On Wharf on Saturday, collided with the steam launch Ilha de Macao and received damage to the extent of \$400.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Chan Shik-yu, on the Tsang Yue firm, of No. 9, Bonham Strand West, on a charge of incurring liabilities to the extent of over \$6,000, contrary to the Bankruptcy Ordinance.

Professor W. Brown is to deliver a lecture on "A Visit to East Africa" under the auspices of the Hongkong University Arts Association at the University on the 12th instant at 8.30 p.m. The lecture will be illustrated.

An excellent variety concert was presented on Saturday night at St. John's Hall (Hongkong University) when the annual social function was held. The concert consisted of Chinese and Western musical items, which were much appreciated by the large audience present. Dancing followed, the music being supplied by the Hongkong Hotel Orchestra.

Sentences of two months' hard labour and six months' hard labour, together with 15 strokes of the birch, were imposed on a Chinese by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when the defendant was charged with larceny of a pair of trousers from No. 151, Wuhu Street and with returning from banishment. Another man who was charged with receiving the trousers was fined \$10, or 14 days' hard labour.

A number of well-known Hongkong residents left for Home on the P. and O. s.s. Macedonia on Saturday. Among the passengers were Lieut. T.K.W. Atkinson, R.N., Dr. and Mrs. H. Balcarras, Capt. J.E. Cornish, R.M., Mr. C.L. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. R.A.D. Forrest, Lieut. J. W. M. Heald, R.N., Lieut. A. N. R. Keene, R.N., Mr. G. B. Labrum, Engr. Lieut. J. MacBroom, R.N., Mrs. A.M. Magill and family, Mr. and Mrs. G.P. de Martin, Lieut. Comdr. W.J. McGhee, R.N., Rev. and Mrs. W.R. McKay, Hon. Mrs. Napier, Paym. Lieut. R.P. Pine, R.N., Mr. T.J. Richards, Comdr. W. R. Richardson, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. G.R. Sayer and family, Mr. D. Templeton, Lieut. J. de B. and Mrs. Wallis, Paym. Lieut. Comdr. G.W. Westlake, Mr. and Mrs. G.H. White, Lieut. Comdr. F. S. W. de Winter, R.N., Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe and Mrs. Wolfe, Mr. A. E. Wood and Mr. J. H. Saunders.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Rescue-Tug Facilities.

Sir,—Your editorial in Saturday's paper, dealing with the Hsin Wah disaster makes interesting reading, but would you permit further discussion of the remarks therein regarding the rescue tug Kau Sing?

The sum of \$30,000 per year is mentioned as being the approximate cost of keeping this tug ready on half an hour's notice, all the year round. Waiving the fact that an appreciable portion of this sum stands to be debited against the tug's legitimate work during the typhoon season, the figure seems very high.

At a fair estimate, the consumption of one-third of a ton of oil fuel a day would keep the present machinery in readiness at a moment's notice. This at forty dollars a ton would cost approximately \$4,000 per year—not a great extravagance.

If only one boiler were kept in commission—and this would give the vessel about five-sixths of its full speed—this expenditure might be halved.

Considering the oil engine proposal, a Diesel engine of the necessary size would require trained Diesel engineers, and this would make the engine room staff more costly than at present. Also it would be necessary to have substitutes available and these are not meantime casually available locally. Further it is very doubtful if the large Diesel engine would have the same facility in manoeuvring as the existing steam plant, under the severe conditions pertaining to typhoon or rescue work.

If these statements are admitted, what then is wrong with the Kau Sing as a rescue-tug for any and every occasion?—Yours, etc.,

GREASER.

"Normalcy."

Sir,—Yesterday I read the phrase, "restoration of normalcy," in the right hand column of your front page and I venture to enquire if the word "normalcy" is to be found in any standard English dictionary?

If so, I apologise for my enquiry and will endeavour to make amends by contributing \$5 to the Miners' Fund.

A believer in normality myself, normalcy to my English eye and ear appears a shade abnormal—an abnormality, if you like. Not an abnormality 'an it please you, Sir.—Yours, etc.,

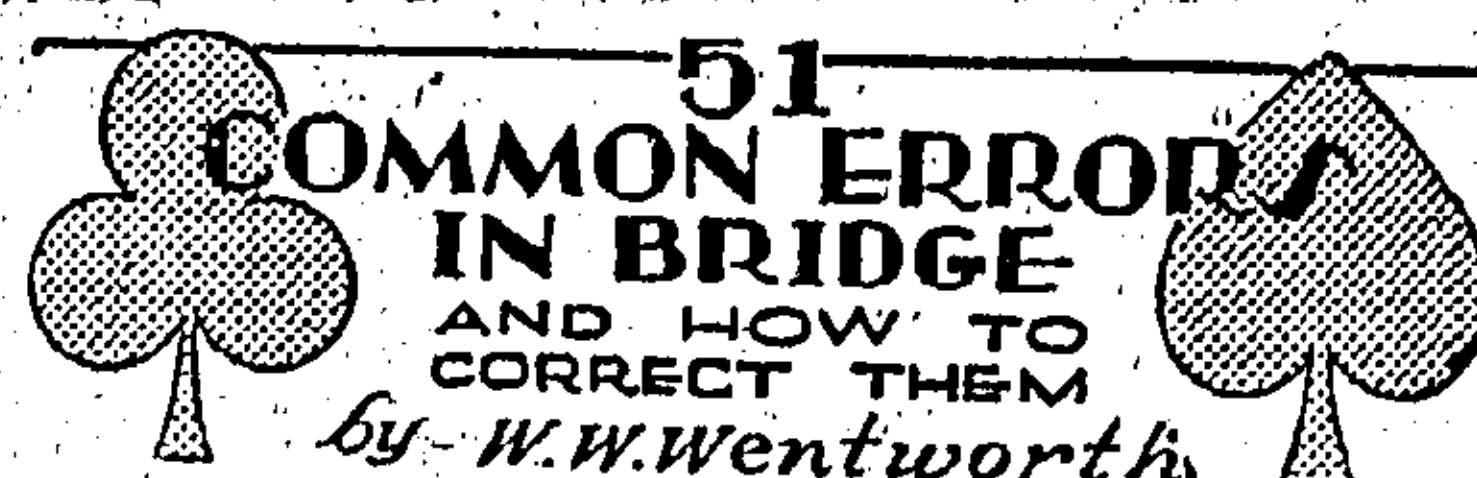
CUIDAS.

Hongkong, Mar. 2, 1929.

["Normalcy" is given in the 20th Century Edition of Funk and Wagnall's Standard Dictionary, as indicating "the state of being normal." Whilst of general use in this sense, it is more specifically employed in mathematics as "the point of normalcy." The \$5 to the Miners' Fund will be most welcome.—Ed. H.K.T.]

Over a hundred Chinese residents assembled at the Kam Ling restaurant on Saturday night as hosts to the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tao, O.B.E., LL.D., who was recently appointed to the Legislative Council. The Hon. Sir Shou-shun Chow referred to the public service of Dr. Tao, who, in reply, said that his appointment to the Council was not an honour to him but to the Chinese community.

General Li Chai-sum is expected to arrive in the Colony to-morrow on his way to take part in the Kuomintang Conference at Nanking.



51 COMMON ERRORS IN BRIDGE

AND HOW TO
CORRECT THEM

by W.W. Wentworth

13. TAKING TRICK IN WRONG HAND

North (Dummy)—
A 7 6
Q A Q 5 2
J 10
K Q 5
West—
Leads A
East—
South (Declarer)—
A K Q 4 3
J 7 6
Q 5 2
K 5 2
The Bidding:—South opens with one spade and all pass.

Deciding the Play:—West leads Ace of Clubs and wins the first trick and then West leads 4 of clubs. Should Declarer take this trick with Queen of clubs or King of clubs?

The Error:—Declarer takes the trick with Queen of clubs.

The Correct Method:—Declarer should take the trick with King of clubs. If Queen of clubs is played he removes from the Dummy the necessary re-entry required to assist in establishing the heart suit.

The Principle:—When you have the choice of taking a trick in the Dummy or your own hand, determine the effect, before taking the trick.

The Very Idea!

A remarkable incident occurred at a municipal orchestral concert at Burnley the other night at which Mme. Elisabeth Schumann, the German soprano, was appearing.

Mme. Schumann surprised the audience by walking off the stage at the end of the first of three groups of songs she was to have sung, and declined to appear further. It was stated that she had taken this unusual course as a protest against smoking being permitted in the Palace Theatre, where the concert was being held. Shortly afterwards she left for Manchester, without having been paid her fee.

An official of the Corporation stated afterwards that some of the most famous English and foreign vocalists had appeared at the Sunday evening concerts in Burnley during the past ten years, but there had never been a single complaint about smoking.

It was stated that the accompanist, Mr. George Altham, had had difficulty in persuading Mme. Schumann to complete her first group of songs. She had desired to leave the stage almost as soon as she had begun to sing.

A crowd of loafers round the Clubhouse tea, And some whom I particularly hate;

A supercilious, caddie, stern as fate, Whose every gesture seems in scorn of me, Says "High or low?" and blindly I agree, Thinking of all the rules I learned of late, "Head still," "Slow back," and "At the top a wait," "Open the face," and "Keep your muscles free."

O yes, and "Keep your eye upon the ball." All these, and several others I obey, Straining my intellect to bring them all In time and proper sequence into play; "Let the club do the work!" "Wormwood and gall!" "We're in your gorge bush," twenty yards away!

An official of the telephone company was rudely aroused from his slumbers by the ringing of the telephone. After brushing his knee on a chair, he reached the phone.

"Hello," he growled. "Are you an official of the telephone company?" asked the voice. "Yes, what can I do for you?" "Tell me," said the voice, "how it feels to get out of bed at 2 o'clock to answer a wrong number."

Lord Headley, the leader of the Moslem movement in England, an eminent civil engineer, and the keenest of sportsmen, celebrated his seventy-fourth birthday recently.

"I am feeling very fit, and I am busy opening all my presents," Lord Headley told a newspaper representative at his Kensington home.

He added that he thought there was nothing like boxing to keep a man healthy. "I boxed up to a year or two ago," said Lord Headley, "and I taught all my sons boxing."

His recreations, in addition to boxing, include fishing, rowing, skating, swimming, shooting, and golf.

To-day's Dog Story.—"Some 35 years ago," writes a London resident, "I was bookkeeper in a country town. For some weeks a gentleman (Mr. X.), who was on a visit, was in the habit of coming to the shop accompanied by Rip, a mongrel dog. He said that the dog was kept in the stable yard, and had become so disagreeable that his owner thought of having him destroyed, so Mr. X. had offered to give him a daily run. Rip became very fond of Mr. X., and my employer's wife and I made a fuss over the dog, who generally made for the parlour behind the shop."

"At the end of Mr. X.'s visit he went abroad, and we had almost forgotten the dog when one day we heard a dreadful howl outside in the road. On going to the door we saw Rip, who pushed past us into the parlour, where he hid under the couch and howled. One of the gardeners from his master's house followed, and told us that Rip had been having these fits of howling since early morning. A week or so later we saw the announcement of the death of Mr. X. abroad. The date was that of Rip's visit."

FORGED CHEQUE DECISION.**IMPORTANT SINGAPORE RULING.****THE HO HONG BANK MUST BEAR LOSS.****FIRM WINS CASE.**

Singapore, Feb. 25. The Chief Justice (Sir William Marison) delivered an important judgment on Saturday in the case in which E. A. Barbour and Co. sued the Ho Hong Bank for \$10,000. His Lordship granted the plaintiffs the amount claimed, with costs.

Plaintiffs drew a cheque on the Ho Hong Bank on April 23, 1928, in favour of Tan Ban Thong or bearer for \$2,520. On May 12, 19 days later, the cheque was presented for payment. It had on the back an endorsement in Chinese of a name very similar to but not the name of the payee. On presentation the cheque was payable for \$12,520 (in words and figures) and the bank honoured it for this amount.

The plaintiffs' cheques were prepared, for signature by the manager, by their clerk, a man named Eu Kwei Peng, and the cheque in the case was so prepared.

Cheque Alterations.

After signature the word "two" was altered to "twelve." The "o" in "two" was changed into an "e" and the letters "ive" were added in the small space left between the words "two" and "thousand" in the cheque as originally prepared for signature.

Similarly the figure "2520" was inserted between the symbol "S" and the figures "2520," advantage being taken of a very small space left there, no doubt purposely. The forger was apparently Eu Kwei Peng, who has since disappeared.

The familiar question arose, his Lordship said, as to which of two innocent parties was to suffer through the forgery of a third party. From the case cited he was quite clear that the relation between a banker and creditor was that of debtor and creditor. The banker contracted to honour cheques without delay to the extent of the customer's credit. The customer contracted to see that he drew cheques on the banker "without negligence" or "with proper caution." He must not mislead the banker. He must use "ordinary care."

Vague Expressions.

These expressions were somewhat vague, but the idea was most pointedly put by Mr. Justice Kennedy, who said that the form in which the cheque was drawn must not so facilitate fraud that when the fraud was perpetrated it was seen to have in fact flowed in natural and uninterrupted sequence as from the negligent act.

The difficulty in this case arose from the interpolation of letters and a figure in spaces left by the drawer of a completed cheque. His Lordship gathered from the authorities that if the drawer of a bearer cheque left such blank spaces that an ordinarily prudent person would say of them that they facilitated fraud, in the sense stated by Mr. Justice Kennedy, the customer would then be guilty of a breach of duty to his bank.

In the present case an exhibit had been put in which showed the cheque as originally drawn for signature. His Lordship could only say that while there was a slight space between the words "two" and "thousand" it was not, in his opinion, so distinct in its actual appearance and extent that it would, to a man of ordinary care and prudence, suggest a likelihood of forgery, or that it was of such a nature that it would facilitate anything but a very skilful forgery indeed.

No Natural Flow.

His Lordship did not see that the forgery flowed naturally from the leaving of the space. The same was true of the space before the figures "2520" and after the symbol "S" on the cheque. There certainly was a very small space left, and it was true that there was less space in most if not all of the 231 other cheques (produced) drawn by the plaintiff firm. But the space itself was so slight that his Lordship could not say that the forgery flowed naturally from the fact that it was there.

In Young v. Grote, where a customer was held to have failed in his duty to the banker, the cheque was blank and was filled in by his agent, his wife, who started in the middle of the line with the word "fifty" with a small "f."

Stronger Case.

This was an infinitely stronger case than the present one. In

ROCKET DISASTER OCCURS.**TWO KILLED IN MISHAP IN PHILIPPINES.****OTHERS ALSO SUFFER.**

Manila, Feb. 26. A young man and a boy were killed and two others were injured by an explosion on Sunday night, at the Quezon avenue, Licensa, Tayabas, on the occasion of the inauguration of the Perez park and Quezon Avenue.

The killed were Gregorio Agular, 18, and Placido Mariano, 6; the injured were Margarita Albanduni and Sixto Ica, according to reports received last night by Colonel Clarence H. Bowers, acting chief of the constabulary intelligence office.

Details regarding the accident were meagre, but the colonel was able to understand that while Pablo Ribera, local explosive manufacturer in Licensa, was starting the fire-works, the victims together with other spectators rushed near the main tube from which fireworks were fired.

For some reason a big fire-rocket failed to soar upward and instead ran amuck among the crowd and exploded, hitting Agular and Mariano. The sparks from the powder injured Albanduni and Ica. Their condition at the Tayabas Hospital was not serious, the colonel was advised.

Ribera was detained by the Licensa authorities for investigation in connexion with the accident. No formal arrest, however, was made.

Marshall's case the interpolations in words must have been very much larger than the present case, for in three cheques "ten pounds" was altered to "one hundred and ten pounds," in another cheque "two pounds" to "thirty-two pounds," and in the fifth cheque "fifty pounds" was altered to "one hundred and fifty pounds."

The interpolation in the figures of these cheques was the same as in the present case, but the space left in each case could hardly be less than it was in the present case. In Marshall's case, however, the court held that the mere leaving of any space in a cheque was no violation of a customer's duty to a banker.

The case was of doubtful authority and his Lordship did not rely upon it. In Macmillan's case there were no words at all in the line left for that purpose and the customer was held to have violated his duty to the bank.

No Negligence.

"Upon considering these cases with ours," his Lordship proceeded, "I cannot say that there was negligence in the present case. I hold therefore that in the preparation and issuing of the cheque or otherwise there was no such negligence as constituted a breach of duty by the customer, the plaintiffs. If this view is correct no question arises in regard to any negligence on the part of the bank. There was authority to pay the smaller sum, and the bank are liable to refund anything greater than the amount authorised."

"I might add that if such question did arise I should hold that the bank were not negligent in paying the cheque after an interval of nineteen days, for there is evidence that the custom of Singapore bankers is not to refuse to pay a cheque until it is six months out of date, and even without that custom I am not satisfied that nineteen days is, in the circumstances in which bearer cheques are used in rubber transaction in Singapore, an unreasonable length of time for a bearer cheque to remain uncashed."

Bank's Position.

"Further, I would hold that the bank were not negligent in paying the cheque by reason of the large amount, for it is in evidence that several cheques of substantially the same amount had been drawn by the plaintiff firm and paid by the defendant bank about the same time as the cheque in this case, and it is in evidence that the amount of the bank transactions with the plaintiff firm came in six months in a very large sum, nearly \$2,000,000. Nor would I hold the bank negligent in paying the cheque in spite of the fact that the endorsement did not exactly tally with the payee's name on the cheque, for it is in evidence that banks in Singapore do not ordinarily look at such endorsements, but take them only as a precaution so that they shall be able, if anything goes wrong, to say that that was the signature of the person to whom payment was made."

"For these reasons I give judgment for the plaintiffs for \$10,000 and costs, the amount either to be paid to plaintiffs in cash or to be credited to them in their account with the defendants, at plaintiffs' option."

His Lordship certified for two counsel on each side.

CLAIM FOR GOODS UNDELIVERED.**PUZZLING ACCOUNTS IN CHINESE CASE.****BOTH MEN ARRESTED.**

Mr. F. H. Loseby confessed that he was unable to make head or tail of accounts between two Chinese, when he appeared for the defendant in an action which was heard in the Summary Court this morning, before the Police Judge (Mr. Justice Wood). The plaintiff was Woo Hak-fuk, trading as Park Yan Sing, No. 303-305 Reclamation Street, Mongkok, and he sued Chau Sang, No. 263, Temple Street, Yau-mat, for the sum of \$358.25 as the balance due for goods sold and delivered. Mr. F. X. D'Almada, senior, was for the plaintiff.

Plaintiff stated that defendant bought two brass propellers and six pieces of iron piping, which dealings were entered in the books. There was also an entry on a payment received on account, this amount being \$115. The total price came to more than the amount claimed but that figure was correct when the money paid on account was subtracted.

Mr. Loseby, in explaining his defence, said the issue was that the amount claimed had been paid in full.

Replying to Mr. Loseby, the plaintiff stated that the pipes had not been delivered because the defendant had not paid.

Plaintiff denied that the defendant said that the pipes were not made according to sample. When he inspected the pipes he said they were in order. Plaintiff continued that when he pressed the defendant for payment, the police took him (plaintiff) to Yau-mat Police Station.

When asked why the defendant caused him to be taken to the Police Station, plaintiff said he did not know exactly. He explained that the defendant asked for delivery of the goods. Witness refused, however, as insufficient money had been paid. Defendant said he would do his best to pay and asked plaintiff to go to a tea house to have tea. He did not know a trap had been set but while they were having tea defendant blew a whistle which brought the police on the scene and they took him to the Police Station.

Mr. Loseby then proceeded to question plaintiff with regard to his accounts, remarking he was trying to show that they were absolutely unreliable.

Defendant said that he took delivery of the propellers on November 5, 1928, and not on December 3, as stated by the plaintiff. Defendant paid \$145 on account of the iron piping on December 20 while he paid \$320 for the propellers on November 5. The total amount paid was \$465.37 which left a balance of \$13.95 which was guaranteed.

Defendant agreed he was arrested in connexion with the action, but when Mr. Loseby suggested that he had been detained until the case came on, Mr. D'Almada said that defendant was arrested as an absconding debtor.

His Lordship pointed out that he put up security and was ordered to appear on the day of trial. He was not forced to stay in the Colony.

Answering Mr. Loseby, defendant said he had been to Swatow several times.

ON BUS WITHOUT TICKET.**OFFENCE DESCRIBED AS MEAN AND DISHONEST.****KOWLOON FOKI FINED.**

Describing the act as mean and dishonest, Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, fined a Chinese shop foki \$25 for attempting to travel on a bus without paying his fare.

The defendant appeared before his Worship last week and was remanded for his master to be called, but this morning, Sub-Inspector Stimson informed his Worship that the man was not present in Court to give evidence.

Mr. W. Louey, manager of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company, gave evidence that the defendant's name did not appear in the company's register.

In reply to his Worship, witness said that the Company did not issue monthly tickets to business firms for the use of their employees. The tickets were for the personal use of the man named and were not transferable.

The defendant stated that his master had purchased his ticket, which was in the name of another foki.

In convicting the defendant, his Worship said that he would not have remanded the case from last week if the conductor had not stated that the defendant had a monthly ticket in February. That, however, did not seem to have been the case at all.

His Worship was of the opinion that the defendant had pretended that he owned a ticket in February and continued with the pretence in March. He had given the bus Company a lot of trouble by his meanness and dishonesty, and would be fined \$25.

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Yokohama	1/10 5/32
Silver (spot)	20 1/16
Silver (forward)	20 1/16

—British Wireless.

HEIR FOR JAPANESE THRONE?**AN INTERESTING EVENT EXPECTED.**

Tokyo, Feb. 26.

Newspapers here said today that Empress Nagako is to become a mother soon.

Empress Nagako has given birth to two children already. Princess Shigeko was born on Dec. 6, 1925, Princess Sachiko was born on September 10, 1927, but lived only six months. —Associated Press.

MOSLEM REVOLT GROWING.**KANSU OUTBREAK NOT SUPPRESSED.****20,000 REBELS MAKE A REAPPEARANCE.****CONDITIONS WORSE.**

Shanghai, Feb. 26.

"Kansu's doom hastens. The Moslem rebellion is spreading." These are dramatic sentences from letters received in Shanghai from the Rev. W. W. Simpson, of Kansu, revealing terrible conditions as a result of the Moslem outbreak and continual warfare.

It was reported that the outbreak had been suppressed, but the missionary's message states that instead of being suppressed it is spreading.

Worse Than Ever.

General Feng Yu-shiang sent a large army into the province to put down the fanatic Moslems who were reported to have slain several hundred thousand people in six months of frightful massacre, of which only bare details leaked out. It is learnt now that the rebellion is more vigorous than ever.

Writing under the date of January 19, the Rev. Mr. Simpson states: "The Moslem rebels have now returned, some 20,000 strong. They report that they are now united with Wu Pei-fu and several Szechwan generals are planning a big drive to expel the Kuomintang from Kansu and Shensi."

Dark Outlook.

"We know positively that a Szechwan army has entered South Kansu and taken Pukow ten days ago. The Moslems and their confederates now control all South Kansu except Tsinchow and Kongschang."

"The outlook is extremely dark. These big armies fighting back and forth over the whole of the province are consuming the last particles of food left. The rear-guard of the armies often go three days without food because all has been consumed by the soldiers in front. And when Moslem rebels have to go so long hungry what must be the condition of the people? Oh it is heartrending!"

"The Moslem rebellion is not only unappressed, it is spreading! The Kuomintang seems powerless to quell these fierce raiders who think nothing of a dash of 100 miles in 30 hours. The streams are frozen so they cross anywhere at pleasure. And the Kuomintang cannot endure the severe winter, mercury at zero."

Conditions Grow Worse.

Writing under date of February 4, Mr. Simpson says conditions are far worse, and he adds:

"Our mail has been very badly interrupted and delayed by the Moslem rebellion which still continues. I fear much mail has been lost. Please thank all donors who have sent you offerings for our famine relief. Conditions are now much worse. Thousands of men who can get nothing to eat have turned bandits and are robbing and killing everybody weaker than themselves. The continued warfare either consumes or destroys what little food remains. Kansu's doom hastens. There is no escape."

MARINE COURT.**MISTAKE REGARDING LICENCE.**

Before Commr. G. F. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning, a case against a foki of a fishing boat, who was charged with committing a breach of his fishing boat licence by carrying cargo, was withdrawn. Insp. Andrews explained that there had been a misunderstanding. According to defendant's licence there was no offence committed.

His Worship accordingly dismissed the case.

Two mistresses of passenger boats were charged with carrying seven passengers in excess of the number allowed by their licences. One pleaded that she had no option in the matter as six of her passengers clambered on board after she warned them that she already had the required number. Asked by his Worship why she did not send them away, she said that they threatened to assault her.

Defendants were both fined \$15 each, with the alternative of two weeks' hard labour.

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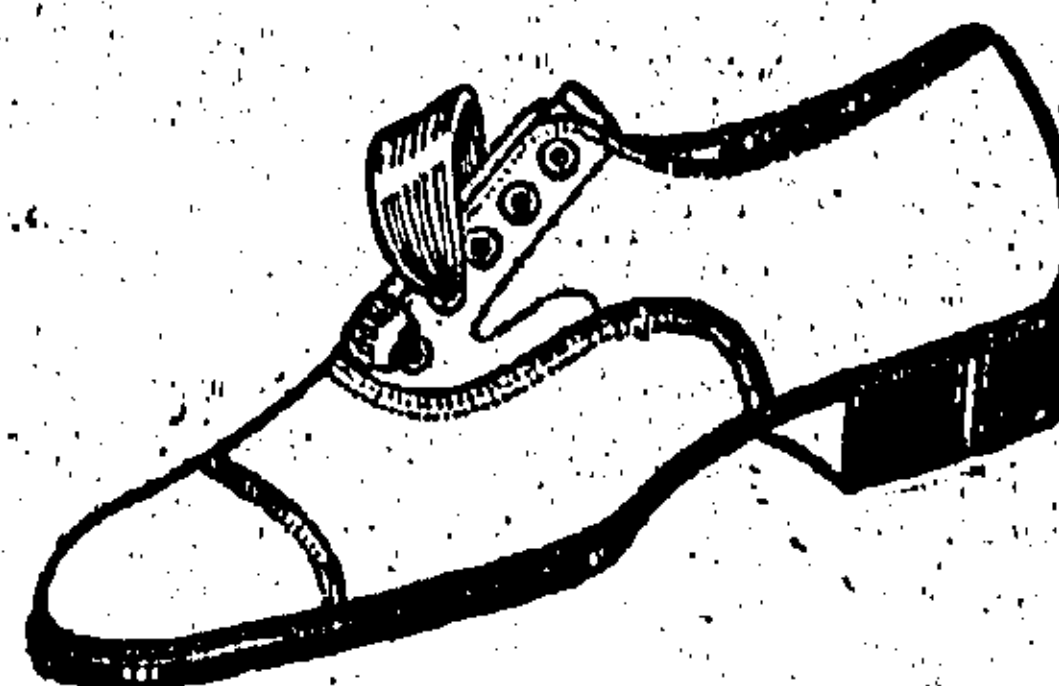
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RECREIO DO THE UNEXPECTED.

SOUTH CHINA GO DOWN ON OWN GROUND.

CURIOUS WINNING GOAL BY KOWLOON.

CUSTODIAN'S ERROR?

[By "Wanderer."]

The totally unexpected defeat of South China by the Club de Recreio and a clever win by the Chinese Athletic will render the struggle for the championship of the Senior Division of the League a great deal more interesting. Although South China still lead, the Athletic are better placed being a point behind with a game in hand, while the interest of the Police and the Queen's (or their successors, the Somersets) has been correspondingly increased by South China's defeat.

The return "Derby" between Kowloon and the Club provided an extremely keen-fought and sporting game, Kowloon just getting home in the final stages through the medium of a hotly disputed goal. The results were:—

Senior Division.	
South China	1
Kowloon	0
China Ath.	1
R.A.	0

Junior Division.	
R.A. Res.	0
S. China "B"	1
Eastern	0
Kowloon Res.	1
St. Joseph's	0

SHOCK FOR SOUTH CHINA.

Recreio Score Snap Goals.

The Club de Recreio deserved their somewhat astonishing victory over South China, not because they were the better team, but because their forward line was always a potential scoring force, while South China's quintette lacked finish. Roughly estimated, the league leaders had at least two-thirds of the play, and some of their attacks, notably on the left wing where Lau Mau and Ly Pak-wa worked nicely together, looked very dangerous in development. In front of goal, however, they lost precision and at no time was there the snap about their work that distinguished the play of the Recreio.

The Recreio opened the scoring during their first really notable attack. South China's defenders being caught napping. It was Gosano's goal though Pereira was the scorer. Gosano burst clean through and slipped the ball to the unmarked Pereira at just the right moment.

Xavier and Silva-Netto played spiritedly in breaking up the subsequent Chinese attacks, but eventually Chur Kwong-in was presented with a simple opening and he took it nicely. In the second half, the Recreio enjoyed more of the play and Gosano netted from a pile-driver from fifteen yards, while soon afterwards the ball was again forced into the net. Ward applied the final touch.

Wong Mee-shun watched Gosano very closely, but had an unhappy experience finding the inter-club centre-forward in a sparkling mood. Neither Li Tin-sang, nor Lau Kau, was as reliable as usual, and the speedy Recreio line gave them little opportunity to retrieve their errors. C.F. Remedios gave a much improved display in the centre-half position, his keenness reducing Fung King-cheong's effectiveness immensely. Ward also played well for the Recreio.

NAVY FADE AWAY.

Good Win For Chinese Athletic.

Chinese Athletic acquired two extremely valuable points, defeating the Royal Navy by the only goal of a splendid game. The Navy began brightly, a resolute half-back line breaking up the Athletic attacks constantly, but they gradually faded out with the failure of the forwards to improve upon their many chances and the Athletic gained the upper hand.

The story of the game would probably have been entirely different had Penecek netted from a very simple opening in the early minutes, but he missed unaccountably. The strong Athletic attack, headed up by the re-appearance of Li Wai-koon, found progress difficult in the first twenty minutes, but improved steadily as the game continued. Nice combined movements by both wings kept danger, though Wong Pak-chong was rather weak in the centre.

It was, however, Wong who scored the goal. It came in the second half when the Athletic had given Baker and McGregor a gruelling session. Li Wai-koon put in a fast shot striking the cross-bar and Wong headed in the rebound, the ball flashing past Brockman before the goalkeeper had recovered his balance after his attempt to save the first shot.

Suen Kam-shun several times came close to adding to the Athletic lead, while Chan Kwong-ul near the end struck the cross-bar with a great drive. There was no questioning the Chinese superiority in the second half. The Navy had their chances prior to the interval but the brilliant work of Barkham on the right wing, and some nice play by Bulls on the left, was wasted by the inside-men, who frittered away their chances by trying to walk the ball in the net.

Evans played splendidly at centre-half, but Tilley and Jones were not quite up to the mark after a strong beginning. Baker was the best of two good backs. The Athletic were practically at full strength, and had they not taken a long time to settle down might have won more easily. Wong Shui-wa and Lam Yuk-ying were the stars of the defence, though Lai Yuk-tat played his usual safe game. The forwards were a lively line, Suen Kam-shun taking the eye most for his splendid nursing of Chan Kwong-ul.

HOTLY DISPUTED GOAL.

Kowloon Beat Club in Sporting Game.

It was rather hard luck on the Club to lose by an obviously disputable goal after a magnificent defensive display, though Kowloon gave one of their brightest displays of the season and fully deserved to win. It was a hard gruelling game for both teams, fought at a fast pace and in a splendid sporting spirit, there being never a sign of an intentional foul.

The goal that decided the match was a curious one as the ball at no time passed out of the reach of the goalkeeper. It came in the last five minutes of the match when it seemed that the brilliance of Edwards and Bishop, above all others in a very sound defence, would enable the Club to escape with a draw. I say escape because Kowloon should have made certain of full points long before the referee was called upon to make an exceedingly daring and plucky decision.

Miles had been sent away on the left and after beating Holt put across a fast centre out to the reach of Bishop and Watson. Eastman, running in, instead of shooting hooked the ball to Edwards' left side before the goalkeeper was aware of the danger. He got to the ball, however, trying to scoop it out and in so doing made a complete turn in the goalmouth. The referee awarded a goal on the basis that Edwards, standing on the goal-line must have carried the ball through. The dispute that arose was concerned with the position of Edwards, the Club players asserting that the goalkeeper was a yard off the line when he turned.

It must naturally be a question of fact, impossible to express an opinion upon unless one happened to be on the spot. The referee awarded the point confidently and he was supported by one of the linesmen, Kowloon, no doubt, would have preferred to win under less doubtful circumstances. It should be added that it was Corporal Evans' first match as a referee in the Colony, and that he handled the game splendidly and with absolute impartiality. On this one point, he may have been right or wrong, but he gave the goal without hesitation.

Previously the game had gone largely in favour of Kowloon. The half-backs played a sound game, giving the Club forwards little scope and the forwards have rarely been seen to better advantage. Hedley and McKelvie were largely responsible for the improvement. Hedley played de-lightful football, cleverly drawing Watson and usually beating him before sending the ball to Eastman, who showed his appreciation of skilful feeding by mid-

THE KING & IRELAND.

GENERAL SMUTS'S COMMENT ON ROYAL SPEECH STORY.

A Reuter message from Cape Town says General Smuts has been interviewed about the Dublin Star's story of the King's Speech at the opening of the Northern Ireland Parliament in June 1921.

The Free State Government organ's theory was that at that time the King imposed his will on a reluctant Cabinet.

General Smuts (Reuter states) said the Dublin story, as reported was largely inaccurate, though it had been written by someone who had a little knowledge.

"The true story was much more interesting," he added, "in fact, it was a wonderful story."

Smiling, he declined to say what the story was. But, he remarked, "some day, the facts may be known."

In a message received by the Central News, General Smuts says "the true story reflects the greatest credit on the King for the inspired initiative of his Majesty on that critical occasion."

FANLING GOLF.

THE CAPTAIN'S CUP COMPETITION.

In the Captain's Cup, played at Fanling over the week-end, W. K. Tait qualified with a score of 91 — 17 = 74. Other scores were:

O. E. C. Martin	75
Major Beamish	85
D. G. Bruce	86

There were 33 entries. The Optional Pool was cancelled.

dling the ball with accuracy. McKelvie, the inside-left, adopted a roving commission and thereby made the majority of the openings, but his methods left Miles at outside-left in a solitary state, though the winger put in much good work.

Miles should have scored from an easy opening in the first half, but shot wildly, and a minute later Spary had exceedingly hard luck when he shot hard at short range. The ball had Edwards beaten, but it struck Holt on the back of the leg (he was facing his own goal) and rebounded clear. Hedley had a good shot well saved.

The best effort of the second half came from Miles who broke through and sent in a fast drive, which Edwards saved magnificently by a full length dive.

The Club forwards were ragged by comparison and they seldom got within shooting range. Angus was never seriously troubled, thanks to the cool and clean kicking of Pile and Robson, the former again giving a splendid display.

The Club were best served by Bishop and Edwards, though Holt performed useful service in devoting, to some purpose, his attention to the dangerous Miles. The Club half-backs were over-run, and only Alexander of the forwards struck his true form. McBride went centre-forward in the second half and the Club tried to rush a goal without appearing particularly dangerous.

AN EASY VICTORY.

Stock Does the Hat-Trick.

The Borderers struck something akin to their true form against the Royal Artillery and won by four clear goals. The feature of the game was the brilliant display of Stock, who not only scored three capital goals, but did more than any other player to keep the Borderers' forwards in trim. McGilchey worked with his usual persistence, and opened up the game nicely on several occasions.

The Artillery were outplayed from the start, though they struggled pluckily against odds. Stock scored twice in the first half, Reeves got a third goal with a beautiful shot, one that came off of many, and some minutes later, Stock again caught Fletcher napping.

The Borderers were finely served at half-back, and with Leach absent, the R.A. had a poor day. Gill tried hard to get the line together, swinging the ball nicely to both wings. In this he was assisted by Fuller, who also went in for long-passing tactics. Splendid anticipation by Everest and Skiggs, however, usually prevented these moves from developing dangerously.

Heavy scoring by the teams in the upper half of the table was the feature of the Junior Division games. The Navy Reserves and the Borderers Reserves both succeeded in finding the net seven times.

CREIGHTON SHOWS HIS PACES.

GREAT SPORTING DISPLAY AGAINST BOWDEN.

FIGHT GOES DISTANCE.

[By "Wanderer."]

By a brilliantly convincing display against really tough opposition, the contest being clean and sporting into the bargain, "Jack" Creighton, H.M.S. Cornwall, firmly established himself as the best welterweight seen in the Hongkong ring for many a long day when he made his first appearance there, at the City Hall on Saturday night. The H.K.B.A. are to be congratulated on their choice of opponent. L.S. Bowden, H.M.S. Hermes, was never Creighton's match, but he was game to the last inch, and he fought back all he knew for fifteen rounds in spite of punishment which would have finished most men long before.

Bowden's only sign of weakening was in the twelfth round when Creighton seemed to set out to finish the fight, punching with precision with both hands, and having Bowden in a state of collapse when the gong sounded. In spite of this, Bowden came up refreshed for the thirteenth and never again wavered.

Much Better Man.

Creighton was obviously the better man, though Bowden did not let him have matters all his own way. It was, in fact, the prospect of a surprise that maintained interest to the last in spite of Creighton's superiority. Bowden was at all times punching with power, and though Creighton parried or otherwise evaded the majority of his blows by skilful defence, there always seemed a chance that he might be caught napping.

Probably the chance was more remote than it seemed for Creighton finished what appeared to be a gruelling bout almost as fresh as when he started. His great merit is that he seldom wastes a punch. He carries great power in both hands and is quicker on his feet and to the punch than the majority of lighter men.

Keen Hitting.

The contest started leisurely, but developed into one of the keenest contests seen in Hongkong for some time as the men warmed up to their work. Bowden was aggressive in the third round, but Creighton responded with flashing fists and his smart footwork steered him clear of real danger. On one occasion he darted in, dealt three heavy blows to the body and one to the chin and was away again before Bowden could retaliate. In later rounds he repeated the manoeuvre, with variations, frequently.

After the fifth round, the fight proceeded round by round on much the same lines, Creighton always outboxing Bowden by a fair margin, and dealing out a rain of blows which seemed likely to result in an early end. Bowden, however, stuck it gamely, and was warmly applauded at the close for his plucky exhibition. Creighton was an easy winner on points.

Unfortunate Mishap.

An unfortunate mishap spoiled the ten rounder between L.S. Shons and A.B. White which went the full distance in spite of the fact that White was fighting with one hand for four rounds. He gave an extremely attractive display against an exponent of high reputation, and at the end of the sixth round had done sufficient to justify expectation that if he maintained his form he would win. He had damaged his right hand, however, and was forced to concentrate on defence, though he employed his left to good effect on many occasions. Shons got the verdict.

"A.B. Seaman, R.N." Loses.

The evening's programme opened with a six rounds featherweight contest between A. B. Friend, Titania, and "A. B. Seaman, R.N." Friend was strongly aggressive, and sent his opponent to the boards with a stiff jolt in the second round. The anonymous boxer stuck to his man gamely, however, and survived the full distance, returning Friend's punches in a manner which well pleased the large audience. Friend just about deserved his victory on points.

Wrestling Match.

Pte. Hume and Stoker Harley had a gruelling six rounds. They mixed things pretty freely, punching freely with both hands, Hume leading the majority of the attacks. He was particularly smart in the fatuous he beat on his opponent's body, and he gained a good win in an unattractive contest, largely because he forced the fighting. Harley seemed rather overpowered by Hume's rushing tactics and here was too much bunny-bug-ging.

Borderers Scrap.

Two boxers from the Borderers, L/Corpl. Finlayson and Pte. Woolley provided an entertaining display of nice clean hitting, the bout

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1300 ss.
Chartered Bank, \$22 b.
Mercantile A. & B., \$34 n.
P. and O. \$92 n.
East As a \$90 1/2 b.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$695 n.
Union Ins., \$388 ss.
North China, Ins., Tls. 160 b.
Yongtze Ins., \$50 n.
China Underwriters, \$2.35 b.
China Fires, \$285 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$790 b.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$361 b.
H. K. Steamboats, \$28 n.
H. K. Tugs, \$150 b.
Indo-China, (Def.) \$92 n.
Sholl Trans., 11/3 n.
Union Waterboats, \$22 1/2 b.

Mining.

Bonguofa, \$2.60 b.
Kailana, 70/- n.
Langkate, Tls. 11.60 b.
S'hai Exploration, Tls. 3.00 ss.
Raub, \$6.80 b.
Tronoh, 17/6 n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$134 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$40 1/2 n.
China Providents \$5 s.
Hongkwa, Tls. 168 1/2 b.
New Engineering, Tls. 5 1/2 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 110 b.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 13.90 b.
Orientals, Tls. 2 n.
S'hai Cottons, Tls. 70 (old) b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$9.30 n.
H. K. Lands, \$64 s.
S'hai Lands, Tls. 166 1/2 b.
Humphreys, \$14 b.
Realities, \$8.30 b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$19.70 s.
Peak Trams, (old) \$13 s.
Star Ferries, \$68 1/2 b.
China Lights, (Old) \$12.80 b.
H. K. Electric, \$55 b.
Macao Electric, \$26 1/2 b.
Telephones, \$7.10 b. Old
China Buses, Tls. 12 1/2 b.
Singapore Traction, 11/6 n.

Industrials.

China Sugars, \$1.25 n.
Malabons, \$29 1/2 b.
Canton Ices, \$3.50 n.
Cements (Comb.) \$9.50 b.
Ropes (Old) \$7.10 b.
United Asbestos \$5 n.

Stores etc.

Dairy Farms, \$21.50 s.
Watsons, \$14 b.
Der A. Wing, \$30 b.
Lanc. Crawfords, \$3.05 n.
Mackintosh, \$20 n.
Sincors, \$10 1/2 b.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$26 1/2 s.
Constructions, \$1.25 s.
B'quo Ind. G. Bonds, \$66 1/2
H.K.G. Loan 5% Prem. Interest.

A freehold pasture farm of 178 acres, known as Greenhill Farm, Elmsmore, has been sold by auction for \$3,550 to Mr. Arthur Arthan, of Whitechurch, Salop.

nearly always being in the open. There was only half a pound difference between them, but Finlayson's advantage in reach served him in good stead, and he was a shade the better man throughout. Both men took considerable punishment, but Finlayson scored a popular win.

A Disappointment.

A.B. Trimming, H.M.S. Hermes, who has given good promise in previous matches this season, was rather a disappointment against L/S. Morris, and one was rather glad for his own sake that Ewin did not appear against him. He was much too slow to cope with the swift two-handed hitting of Morris, though he improved when the edge had been taken off the attack. The fourth round provided a hot exchange, and the hard logging continued to the end. Morris won comfortably on his display in the early rounds.

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WEEK-END CRICKET.

UNIVERSITY WIN IN BOTH DIVISIONS.

The faint hope the Royal Artillery may have entertained of finishing on top of the first division of the cricket league was completely destroyed on Saturday, when they were under the Kowloon Cricket Club. The Hongkong C.C. are now winners of the first division of the league. No other team can reach their number of points.

The University were engaged in both first and second divisions against the Navy and won. The University look like finishing as runners-up in the first division.

DIVISION I.

Kowloon C.C. Defeat the Royal Artillery.

On the Kowloon C.C. ground on Saturday, the home team, defeated the Royal Artillery by 80 runs. The K.C.C. compiled 164 runs for six wickets and declared. The soldiers were able to muster 85 runs in reply. The Fincher brothers batted well for the home team. E. C. Fincher got 57 not out and his brother collected 38 runs.

Kowloon C.C.

W. Brace, c. Musson, b. W. F. Christian	14
A. W. Ramsey, b. Leach	14
E. C. Fincher, not out	57
E. F. Fincher, c. Walker, b. Miller	43
R. E. H. Oliver, c. Christian, b. Miller	1
N. A. E. Mackay, b. Miller	15
F. E. Lawrence, c. Miller, b. Leach	10
G. A. V. Hall, not out	10
Extras	8

Total (for 6 wks., dec.) 154

G. Lee, J. J. Hirst and S. Jox did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

W. F. Christian	O.	M.	R.	W.
Leach	16	8	32	1
C. G. Christian	12	1	43	2
Musson	8	2	28	8
Miller	8	2	28	8

Royal Artillery.

Lt. Maltas, run out	1
Capt. J. L. McNair, c. Hall, b. Oliver	7
B. S. M. Leach, c. E. C. Fincher, b. Brace	7
Lt. A. H. Musson, b. Brace	9
Lt. R. F. Wright, c. Brace, b. Oliver	0
Lt. Col. W. F. Christian, c. Brace, b. Leach	50
Lt. A. R. Wolfe Barry, b. Brace	30
Lt. A. R. Miller, b. Oliver	0
Lt. E. H. Walker, b. Oliver	2
Lt. C. G. Christian, c. Mackay, b. Lee	0
Capt. A. S. G. Kennedy, not out	10
Extras	10

Total 65

Bowling Analysis.

Hirst	O.	M.	R.	W.
Brace	10	2	11	3
Oliver	6	1	10	4
Lee	14	1	4	2
Mackay	1	1	8	1

University v Navy.

At Pokfulam, the University defeated the Navy by twelve runs. For the winners, Anderson contributed 75 not out, and P. J. Zimmerman and A. A. Rumjahn made 20 and 22 respectively. The home team declared at 172 runs for the loss of eight wickets.

The Navy replied with 160 runs. They started well with 122 for two wickets, but collapsed.

University.

D. J. N. Anderson, not out	75
E. A. Lee, b. Large	0
F. J. Zimmerman, c. Baker, b. Watch	30
A. A. Rumjahn, c. Stanley, b. Baker	22
L. T. Ride, c. Evans, b. Large	4
S. V. Gitting, b. Anderson	4
D. Large, b. Large	4
A. P. Gutierrez, b. Weir	7
C. W. Lam, c. b. Baker	0
D. K. Samy, not out	0
Extras	13

Total (for 8 wks., dec.) 172

N. P. Karanjia did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

F. C. Baker	O.	M.	R.	W.
Large	19	2	46	3
Weir	9	3	9	1
Watch	7	1	27	1

Royal Navy.

Capt. H. D. Weir, c. Rumjahn, b. Lam	34
Sub-Lt. Singleton, b. Anderson	4
Lt. Comdr. C. E. Abelson, b. Samy	23
Mid. K. Parkhurst, b. Samy	7
Comdr. E. G. Stanley, b. Anderson	1
Comdr. F. C. Baker, l.b.w., b. Anderson	0
Lt. C. F. Norris, b. Samy	5
Mid. C. C. Suther, b. Anderson	10
Lt. D. P. Evans, c. E. A. Lee, b. Anderson	0
H. S. Watch, run out	4
A. B. Large, not out	4
Extras	20

Total 160

Bowling Analysis.

Gutierrez	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gitting	8	1	38	5
Anderson	10	2	38	8
Rumjahn	7	1	27	1
Lam	1	1	11	1
Samy	8	1	20	8

DIVISION II.

University Get Full Points from the Navy.

On the Navy ground at King's Park, the Royal Navy's second team lost to the University by two wickets. The home team opened disastrously, losing six wickets for 50, but thanks to a useful 36 by Sub-Lt. Mosely the side set the University the task of getting 121 runs to win.

The University made a good start through Kermani and Barma, but notwithstanding this, they lost eight wickets before passing their opponents. They were all dismissed for 120.

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

Interesting Match on the Club Ground.

On the Club ground on Saturday, the first eleven trounced the second eleven, defeating them by 143 runs. Batting first, the first eleven collected 200 runs for seven wickets, Hayward contributing 79 and Owen Hughes 34 not out. Vailneck was the most successful bowler, taking three of the eight wickets for 84 runs. Reid and Summers secured two wickets for 87 and 35 runs respectively.

The second string replied with 57 runs, Batger and Tait being the only players to reach double figures. Wales had five wickets for 31 runs, and Bowker three for 2. Dobble took the remaining two wickets at a cost of 21 runs.

I.R.C. 2nd v R.E. & S.

On their own ground, the Indian R.C. second eleven defeated the Royal Engineers and Royal Corps of Signals by 50 runs. Although the Indians lost six wickets for 64 runs, they put up the respectable total of 170 runs for nine wickets. The soldiers were dismissed for 146, Penny being the highest scorer with 42.

Civil Service v R.A.O.C.

The Civil Service C.C. 2nd eleven, playing at home, defeated the Royal Army Ordnance Corps by 87 runs.

A bright innings by Westlake for 75, which included a six and fifteen boundaries, led to the home team being able to declare with 210 runs on the board. Kelly contributed 47 not out. The R.A.O.C. replied with 132 runs. At one stage they had only 17 runs for three wickets.

Recreio v Youngs XI.

A team captained by J. L. Young, playing at King's Park against the Club de Recreio, easily defeated the home side.

Batting first, the Club de Recreio compiled 92 runs, H. A. Alves being top-scorer with 21. The visitors replied with 142 for nine wickets, the chief contributor being Tsui Wai-pui with 91 runs.

YESTERDAY'S MATCHES.

R.A.S.C. Defeat Craigengower in League Match.

In a League match, played yesterday, the R.A.S.C. defeated Craigengower C.C. by 14 runs. For the winners McDonald, Wingfield and Fry reached double figures and Reed was the chief contributor for Craigengower.

Scores:

Maj. Laing, c. Fletcher	3
W/O. McDonald, c. Leonard, b. Fletcher	24
Pte. Lyons, b. Fletcher	0
Pte. Wingfield, c. Reed, b. Hanson	23
Cpl. Crawford, b. Fletcher	0
Lt. C. Fennell, hit wicket, b. Hanson	5
Pte. Fry, c. Fletcher, b. Razack	17
Lt. C. McIntyre, l.b.w., b. Hanson	4
Lt. C. Tavin, c. Leonard, b. Fletcher	2
Pte. Simpson, b. Way	4
S.Q.M.S. Jordan, not out	4
Extras	13

Total 100

Bowling Analysis.

W. K. Way	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. C. Fletcher	11.5	1	37	1
E. Hanson	9	1	30	5
D.M.A. Razack	4	1	8	2
D.M.A. Razack	2	1	12	1

Craigengower C.C.

W. K. Way, c. and b. Fry	1
G. Lia, c. McIntyre, b. Fry	12
E. Mow Fung, c. Wingfield, b. Fry	1
E. Hanson, b. Wingfield	0
J. W. Leonard, b. Fry	0
D.M.A. Razack, b. Wingfield	0
J. W. Leonard, b. Wingfield	15
B. C. Fletcher, run out	7
R. Reed, b. Wingfield	60
U. M. Umar, not out	0
Extras	2

Total 80

Bowling Analysis.

Pte. Fry	O.	M.	R.	W.
Pte. Wingfield	12.5	3	45	4
Pte. Wingfield	12	1	39	5

At Soekunpo yesterday, the Volunteers met and defeated the Indian Recreation Club by 40 runs.

The Volunteers batted first and obtained 138 runs, of which E. Zimmerman was responsible for 48. Curran took 4 for 39. The Indians replied with 98, the top scorer being S. A. Ismail, who compiled 38. Reid took 2 for 12 and Divett 2 for 11.

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.

Hongkong C.C.	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
University	7	5	2	17	
Kowloon C.C.	7	4	1	23	
Royal Navy	8	3	1	4	10
Indian R.C.	6	2	2	2	7
Chinese R.C.	7	2	1	4	7
Royal Artillery	5	2	1	4	7
Civil Service C.C.	7	1	3	8	6
Craigengower C.C.	7	1	6	8	6

Division II.

H.K.C.C.	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
University	11	10	1	1	30
Indian R.C.	12	9	1	2	28
R.E. & S.	12	9	1	2	27

SPORTS AT KOWLOON.

PUPILS OF THE CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL.

The annual sports of the Central British School were held at King's Park on Saturday afternoon, when there were keen competitions between the Red and Blue houses, the latter remaining champions by scoring 120 points to 93. In the previous year they won the honour by 103 to 98, while in 1927 the Red house triumphed by 130 points to 76. As a result of Saturday's sports the Blue house again holds the house championship cup presented by Mr. B. Wylie.

L. Marshall, of the Red house, won the senior high jump, 100 yards school championship, 100 yards hand-cup, 220 yards, open quarter mile and the long jump, carrying off many points for his house. The tug-of-war provided an excellent tussle before the Blue house took the points.

After the events the prizes were distributed by Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of Schools, who paid a tribute to the excellence of the sports and said he hoped there would be more pupils to follow the example of the present pupils had set.

Ralphs also announced his intention of presenting a challenge shield for competition among the scholars.

Messrs. A. W. E. Davidson, J. H. Hunt and P. Sands were the judges, and Mr. W. Jenner the starter. Scoring was done by Messrs. A. Gardiner and H. Layton, and Miss N. W. Bascombe and the girl prefects were in charge of refreshments.

The Results.

The results of the various events follow:
High Jump, Senior: 1, L. Marshall; 2, D. Hynes; 3, I. Stirling.
High Jump, Middle School: 1, F. Fowler; 2, G. Eldridge; 3, R. Wood.
Throwing the Cricket Ball, Senior: 1, I. Stirling; 2, L. Marshall; 3, D. Hynes.
Cricket Ball, Middle School: 1, D. Monaghan; 2, F. Fowler; 3, R. Wood.

100 yds. School Championship, Senior Boys: 1, L. Marshall; 2, D. Hynes; 3, I. Stirling.
Middle School: 1, J. Rousseau; 2, D. Monaghan.
V. Grunberg; 3, D. Monaghan.
100 Yards Handicap—Senior Boys: 1, L. Marshall; 2, J. Smith; 3, E. Butler.
Middle School Boys: 1, J. Rousseau; 2, V. Grunberg; 3, D. Monaghan.
Junior Boys: 1, R. Holder; 2, R. Hill; 3, A. Dalziel.

Senior Girls: 1, J. Bates; 2, P. Everest; 3, D. Booker.
Middle School Girls: 1, P. M. Caw; 2, D. Hynes; 3, I. Wylie.
100 Yards Junior Girls: 1, E. Rousseau; 2, J. Stewart; 3, A. Black.
Old Scholars 100 yards Open: Old Boys Winner: L. Weill. Old Girls Winner: D. Hamblin.
Sack Race, Senior Boys: 1, J. Smith; 2, T. Ingram; 3, R. Woodley.
Middle School Boys: 1, J. Rousseau; 2, R. Wood; 3, A. Macfarlane.
Junior Boys: 1, D. Phillips; 2, R. Holder; 3, I. Black.
Senior Girls: 1, D. Booker; 2, D. Hynes; 3, J. Bates.
Middle School Girls: 1, M. Richards; 2, D. Tolan; 3, H. Wylie.
Junior Girls: 1, E. Rousseau; 2, A. Black; 3, N. Laing.
100 Yards Skipping Championship: 1, J. Bates; 2, P. Everest; 3, D. Booker.

Middle School Girls: 1, M. Richards; 2, I. Wylie; 3, P. Gardner.
Junior Girls: 1, J. Stewart; 2, A. Black; 3, F. Salmon.
220 Yards Open: Senior Boys: 1, L. Marshall; 2, E. Butler; 3, I. Stirling.
Middle School Boys: 1, V. Grunberg; 2, J. Rousseau; 3, T. Monaghan.
100 Yards Skipping (Handicap): Senior Girls: 1, J. Bates; 2, D. Booker; 3, P. Everest.
Junior Boys: 1, R. Hill; 2, R. Holder; 3, J. Thirlwell.

100 Yards Senior Girls: 1, J. Bates; 2, D. Booker; 3, P. Everest.
20 Yards Middle School Girls: 1, D. Raven; 2, P. McCaw; 3, A. Miller.
100 Yards Junior Girls: 1, E. Rousseau; 2, E. Phillips; 3, A. Black.
Middle School Girls: 1, A. Miller; 2, R. Blackmore; 3, M. Boynting.
Junior Girls: 1, N. Laing; 2, P. Hamblin; 3, J. Stewart.
Egg and Spoon Race: Senior Girls: 1, P. Everest. Middle School Girls: D. Raven. Junior Girls: E. Rousseau.
440 Yards Handicap: Senior Boys: 1, L. Marshall; 2, I. Stirling; 3, E. Butler.
Middle School Boys: 1, V. Grunberg; 2, D. Monaghan; 3, R. Phillips.
Wheelbarrow Race: J. Chubb and partner.

Relay Race (Girls): Seniors, Rods; Middle School, Blue.
Mile, Open, Seniors: 1, J. Smith; 2, P. Wicheil; 3, L. Marshall.
Middle School: 1, V. Grunberg; 2, R. Phillips; 3, D. Mackay.
Skipping Championships: Senior Girls: 1, J. Bryson; 2, L. Salmon; 3, G. MacNeillie.
Middle School Girls: 1, M. Poynting; 2, M. Grimes; 3, P. McCaw.
Junior Girls: 1, D. Monaghan; 2, J. Rousseau; 3, F. Fowler.
Long Jump: Seniors: 1, L. Smith; 2, I. Stirling.
Middle School: 1, D. Monaghan; 2, J. Rousseau; 3, F. Fowler.
Relay Races: Seniors—Blue; Middle School—Blue.
Obstacle Race: Seniors—Blue; Middle School—Blue.
Tug-of-War: Blue.

Kowloon C.C. 11 5 4 2 10
Recreio 12 5 1 6 16
University 10 4 2 4 14
Craigengower 11 4 2 5 14
R.A.S.C. 10 4 2 4 14
C.S.C.C. 11 3 2 5 11
Police R.C. 9 2 1 6 7
Royal Navy 8 2 1 6 7
Electric R.C. 10 5 7 3 8
R.A.O.C. 6 1 6 8 22

HOME FOOTBALL.

CUP AND LEAGUE MATCH RESULTS.

The results of Saturday's Home football as cabled by Router, are:

The English Cup.

Blackburn	1	Bolton	1
Aston Villa	1	Arsenal	0
Portsmouth	3	West Ham	2
West Brom.	1	Huddersfield	1

The Scottish Cup.

Rangers	3	Dundee U.	1
Raith	2	Kilmarnock	3

The matches between Celtic and Motherwell and St. Mirren and Aberdeen were postponed on account of frost.

First Division.

Birmingham	1	Manchester U.	1
Derby	2	Sheffield U.	2
Manchester C.	3	Leeds	0
Wendstadi	3	Bury	1
Sunderland	1	Cardiff	0

First Division Table.

Wednesday	31	17	8	6	66	44	42
Sunderland	32	17	8	9	75	40	40
Aston Villa	29	16	4	9	69	67	36
Derby	32	16	5	11	65	64	38
Leicester	29	14	7	8	59	50	35
Blackburn	29	15	5	9	67	41	35
Leeds	33	12	9	11	58	58	32
Everton	29	14	3	12	50	40	31
Huddersfield	29	12	6	11	58	41	30
Hull	30	11	7	12	67	54	29
Arsenal	29	10	9	10	49	51	29
Newcastle	31	12	5	14	51	61	29
Manchester C.	31	11	7	13	67	70	29
Liverpool	29	10	8	11	64	48	28
Birmingham	29	11	0	12	55	58	28
Burnley	31	12	4	15	62	80	28
Sheffield U.	31	10	7	14	56	70	27
West Ham	32	10	0	13	61	69	26
Cardiff	32	7	0	16	34	44	23
Manchester U.	31	6	11	14	43	64	23
Bury	29	9	5	15	43	70	23
Portsmouth	23	10	1	17	39	67	21

Second Division.

Barnsley	4	Southampton	1
Blackpool	4	Middlesbrough	0
Bradford	1	Reading	0
Bristol C.	3	Wolves	0
Chelsea	2	Oldham	0
Clapton O.	1	Port Vale	0
Grimby	2	Tottenham	0
Notts. Forest	1	Notts. County	0
Stoke	1	Hull	0
Swansea	6	Preston N.E.	0

Second Division Table.

Middlesbrough	32	17	8	7	76	44	37
Grimby	29	16	5	8	62	46	37
Chelsea	30	14	9	7	61	38	37
Southampton	31	11	14	6	64	41	30
Notts. County	31	14	8	9	66	44	30
Stoke	3	12	10	9	69	66	30
Millwall	29	14	9	9	69	66	30
Bradford	29	16	5	8	61	45	30
Blackpool	31	15	8	9	68	45	30
Preston N.E.	31	15	8	9	68	45	30
Doncaster Rovers	31	11	9	6	53	55	30
Hull Town	28	11	10	8	52	55	30
Swansea	30	10	8	12	49	45	30
Wolves	30	10	7	13	51	45	30
Swansea	31	10	7	14	53	60	30
Tottenham	30	12	5	16	53	60	30
Bristol City	31	10	6	16	48	48	30
Reading	30	9	8	13	40	45	30
Oldham	31	11	4	10	38	45	30
Barnsley	31	4	17	40	62	62	30
Port Vale	31	11	10	10	62	62	30
Sheff. Wed.	30	8	7	15	39	39	30

REMARKABLE CURE OF TYPHOID FEVER THROUGH POO ON CHINESE HERBS.

Under Physician's Treatment Two Weeks—Grew Worse—Doctors Insist Removing Boy to Hospital & Give Very Little Hope of Recovery.

Jenis Brooks, son of Mrs. John T. Brooks, 1904 H. Street, Modesto, Calif., U.S.A., suffered with typhoid fever, for two weeks under physician's and nurse's care—grew steadily worse. Mother becomes alarmed over safety of her son and is induced to try the POO ON CHINESE HERBS TREATMENT for Typhoid. Result—Instant relief and absolute cure in short time.

Mrs. Brooks said: "My boy Jenis was in bed suffering from fever and chills, he was treated by physicians for two weeks with what they called typhoid fever, he could not eat and had severe pains in the stomach; delirious, stomach was bloated; he was kept in ice packs and rubber ice mattresses and attended by a trained nurse, but he did not show any improvement, he became worse so other doctors were called in for consultation. They all insisted on removing boy to the hospital and did not give much hope for his recovery."

"I was recommended and insisted upon by Mrs. De Lemos to try the POO ON CHINESE HERBS Treatment, as she had been cured of a complication of diseases by them. I made up my mind to give the POO ON CHINESE HERBS a trial; after the first day's treatment the fever was very much reduced and he began to have an appetite and slept well a night."

After five days' treatment the fever was cured and after a few more treatments the boy was absolutely well and playing around the yard and eating heartily, and was able to go back to school, and feels as well as he ever did."

Mrs. G. A. Bayes says: "I am Positive That POO ON CHINESE HERBS and Ointment Saved My Child's Eyesight. Because I tried Several Eye Specialists Before Going To POO ON. His Cure Was Simply Wonderful and I Am Very Grateful."

Mrs. G. A. Bayes, 611, Third Street, Modesto, Calif., U.S.A., says:

"My little girl, 8 years old, in some way contracted a disease of the eye that was gradually making her blind. I immediately took her to an eye specialist for treatment, but there seemed no way to stop

the approaching pain and blindness. I also tried a specialist in Stockton, and Modesto. She finally grew so bad that I had to keep her in a darkened room. I kept her under constant care in the darkened room for nearly two months. A friend then told me about the Herbalists, Yee Poo Lun, and the POO ON CHINESE HERBS Treatment. I had no faith in treatment of this kind, and I have tried so many kinds of treatments and doctors in vain, but in desperation I decided to try the POO ON CHINESE HERBS. At this time water was running from her eyes excessively. I gave her the POO ON CHINESE HERBS, an ointment, and some wash. At the end of a week the water running from the eyes stopped and almost at once a marked improvement took place. She continued to improve very fast and her eyes began to clear up. A short while after I started giving her the POO ON HERBS she was entirely cured from this disease and her eyes were back to normal. I am certainly thankful to the Herbalists and the POO ON HERBS. Absolutely cured my child's eyes."

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YACHTING.

SATURDAY'S RACING FOR PRESENTED CUPS.

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club decided the Presented Cups for racing yachts on Saturday. The course was Lyemun Beacon, Kowloon Rocks, Mark on line and Channel Rocks, and the distance was about 0.4 miles. Dorothea won in the Handicap Class, Colleen being second. In the One Design and Gulls Class, Pierrette won, whilst in the Heyward Heyes Class, Speedwell returned the best time.

The full results are as follow:

Handicap Class (Start 2.25).			
	Finishing	Corrected	Time.
Rolla (4)	4.56.20 1/4	4.56.20 1/4	4.56.20 1/4
Dorothea (1)	4.56.50 1/4	4.51.21 1/4	4.51.21 1/4
Dianna (3)	4.57.32	4.55.11	4.55.11
Colleen (2)	4.59.10	4.54.25	4.54.25

One Design and Gulls (Start 2.30).			
	Finishing	Corrected	Time.
Alkan (2)	5.11.45	5.11.45	5.11.45
Pierrette (1)	5.12.25	5.08.30	5.08.30
Joan (3)	5.23.10	5.18.54	5.18.54
Thecla (4)	5.27.01	5.19.11	5.19.11

Heyward Heyes Class (Start 2.35).			
	Finishing	Corrected	Time.
Speedwell (1)	5.11.48	5.11.48	5.11.48
Bluenose (3)	5.15.20	5.15.20	5.15.20
Zephyr (2)	5.18.24	5.13.03	5.13.03
Wings (4)	5.21.18 1/2	5.11.18 1/2	5.11.18 1/2
Why Wonder (5)	5.21.45	5.21.45	5.21.45
Adnan (6)	5.24.58	5.24.58	5.24.58
Lola (7)	5.31.55	5.25.39	5.25.39

Presented Cup Race. Yesterday there was a Presented Cup race for cruiser yachts, the course being—Datum Rock, Stonecutters Island, Mark on line, and Lyemun Beacon, a distance of 22 miles. The race started at 10.05 a.m., and resulted as follows:

Yachts.			
	Finishing	Corrected	Time.
La Cigale (5)	2.48.54	2.48.54	2.48.54
U and I (2)	2.59.01 1/4	2.39.25 1/4	2.39.25 1/4
Wanderer	2.59.01 1/4	2.39.25 1/4	2.39.25 1/4
Penitence (3)	3.17.47	2.40.31	2.40.31
Narcissus (4)	3.26.35	2.50.15	2.50.15
Conquiste (1)	3.37.46 1/2	2.37.30 1/2	2.37.30 1/2
Curlew (4)	3.31.10	2.47.40	2.47.40
Typhoon (7)	3.37.23	2.54.15	2.54.15

THE RACES.

SUCCESSFUL OWNERS AND JOCKEYS.

Below are figures showing a summary of the Hongkong Race Week:

Successful Owners.			
	1st	2nd	3rd.
Mr. Ho Kem Tong	5	7	4
Mr. Ewe	4	5	4
Mr. Dynasty	4	5	4
Mr. L. Dunbar	4	2	4
Mrs. Dunbar	4	1	1
Mr. John Peel	3	3	1
Mr. Chan Puk Chuen	2	1	2
Mr. W. E. L. Shenton	2	1	2
Messrs. Chan & Rafeek	2	1	2
Messrs. Wayfoong	2	1	1
Messrs. Fay & Seth	2	1	1
Messrs. Hynes & Mackie	1	1	2
Messrs. Lau & Leo	1	1	2
Messrs. Hinson & Wong	1	1	2
Mr. M. M. Watson	1	1	2
Messrs. Liang & Lo	1	1	2
Mr. Wong Ping-shun	1	1	2
Messrs. Tester and Abraham	1	1	2
Messrs. Harry & Henry	1	1	2
Messrs. Stanton & Reidy	1	1	2
Messrs. Dyer and Belth	3	1	1
Mrs. Pearce	3	1	1
Mr. Chan Tin-sien	2	1	1
Mr. K. H. K.	1	2	1
Mr. Gubbays	1	2	1
Mrs. K. E. Belth	1	2	1
Mr. C. L. Liao	1	2	1
Messrs. Cheng & Ng	1	2	1
Mr. Yam Man	1	2	1
Mr. K. C. Lau	1	2	1
Mr. Hui Chung	1	2	1
Mr. Hui Yun	1	2	1
Mr. Leo Fu-wing	1	2	1
	43	49	43

Successful Jockeys.			
	1st	2nd	3rd.
Mr. Hill	5	3	8
Mr. Heard	5	3	8
Mr. Encarnacion	5	7	4
Mr. Clark	5	4	5
Mr. Halmovitch	4	8	1
Mr. Poto Hunt	4	7	7
Mr. Quincey	3	4	3
Mr. Wong	2	2	2
Mr. W. Hu	1	1	1
Mr. Stanton	1	1	2
Mr. Harriman	1	1	1
Mr. Ho Sal-man	1	1	1
Mr. Newbiggin	1	1	1
Mr. Reidy	1	1	1
Mr. Fontes	1	1	1
Mr. da Rosa	1	1	1
Mr. E. C. Lau	1	1	1
Mr. Charles	1	1	1

Note: The result of the United Services Cup is not included.

LOCAL GOLF.

LEACH WINS JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

The final of the Junior Championship at Fanling yesterday was won by A. Leach, who beat T. L. Christie over 36 holes by 3 and 2. The morning round saw a very high standard of play for this event, and finished with Leach 8 up. He went round in 81, and Christie in 83. Play in the afternoon was not quite so good, but Leach maintained his lead to the end.

Kowloon Captain's Cup. J. H. Austin and A. W. Roberts met in the final of the Captain's Cup competition at the Kowloon Golf Club yesterday morning, Austin winning the match one up.

KELLOGG PACT.

BRITAIN RATIFIES.

Washington, Mar. 2. The British Ambassador at Washington has deposited with the State Department the ratification of the Kellogg Pact on behalf of Great Britain, the North of Ireland, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, and India.

The Canadian and Irish Free State Ministers in Washington are depositing the ratification on behalf of their own Governments.

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Sir Austen's Congratulations.

London, Mar. 2. On the occasion of Britain's ratification of the Kellogg Pact, Sir Austen Chamberlain cabled heartfelt congratulations to Mr. Kellogg. He says his name will ever be associated in the minds of men with the completion of this great act and hopes it will link the nations of the world in peaceful co-operation and in particular confirm for ever more the peace which for over a century has endured between the United States and the British Empire.

INDUSTRIES FAIR.

RECORD ATTENDANCE AT LONDON SECTION.

London, Mar. 2. Over 140,000 people visited the London section of the British Industries Fair, which closed last night.

The attendance of overseas buyers, home buyers and public was a record. Mr. Rodgers, President of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, stated yesterday that the amount of actual business done at the Birmingham section of the Fair had been entirely satisfactory and that the number of trade inquiries had been largely in excess of last year.

—*British Wireless.*

NEW CRUISERS.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE SIGNS NAVAL SUPPLY BILL.

Washington, Mar. 3. Mr. Coolidge has signed the Naval Supply Bill providing for an expenditure of \$12,370,000 on cruiser construction.

President Coolidge has also signed a resolution, which has been adopted by the Senate, providing for a survey of the proposed Nicaraguan Canal and also an examination of the question of the possibility of enlarging the Panama Canal.

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PROHIBITION LAW.

STRINGENT PENALTIES FOR INFRINGEMENTS.

Washington, Mar. 2. President Coolidge has signed the Jones Bill and the Appropriation Penalty Bill, providing for more stringent penalties for infringements of the prohibition law. The maximum penalties are five years imprisonment or a \$10,000 fine.

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OPINION OF LAITY IGNORED.

PROTEST BY LORD HUGH CECIL.

London, Feb. 6. A protest by Lord Hugh Cecil that the laity have no voice as regards the suitability of an incumbent was made yesterday when the Church Assembly resumed its spring session at Church House, Westminster, S.W., under the chairmanship of Dr. Temple, Archbishop of York.

The Assembly was considering the Benefices (Patronage) Measure, one of the main objects of which is to give every Parochial Church Council the right to make representations to the patron of the living and to the bishop as to the needs of the parish, when a new incumbent is to be appointed.

The Bishop of Ely said that at the present moment parishioners were entirely at the mercy of the patron, whether bishop, priest, layman, college, or trust.

More Power for Bishops.

The Rev. H. Chalmers Bell moved that further consideration of the measure be adjourned until the Assembly had received the report of the Committee on the Appointment of Bishops, so that the subject of patronage could be dealt with as a whole.

Anyone who studied the measure, he said, would find that the effect of it was, in the last resort, to make the bishop the person who got more power.

"The whole difficulty about bishops," he said, "is not the future and not the present. We should not put this kind of power, which I want to see there—into their hands until we know what the next generation of bishops is going to be like."

The Bishop of Barking seconded the motion to adjourn the discussion. Lord Hugh Cecil said that the laity did feel it was very hard that on the question of the suitability of an incumbent they should not have any voice—not even a consultative voice.

"Intolerable Abuse."

Viscount Wolmer said that there was a small minority of patrons who were unreasonably inconsiderate and tried to oppose their will against the rights and wishes of the parish.

The Assembly, he added, could not fail to be aware of the fact that there was a number of active party trusts who were every month acquiring more livings, and that the object of those trusts was to force men of a particular ecclesiastical complexion upon any parish of which they happened to obtain the advowson.

"The moderate laity," stated Lord Wolmer, "who do not belong to either wing of the Church regard that as an intolerable abuse of the powers of a patron."

The motion to adjourn the debate was defeated, and the Assembly proceeded with the revision stage of the measure.

The Rev. C. E. Douglas, who was designated by the Dean of Westminster as "the greatest amender of amendments," had down no fewer than sixty-five amendments.

Mr. Douglas said that, even in these days of stress, there were clergymen who found that at fifty they were too old to obtain an assistant curacy and could not possibly be put in charge of a benefice.

The Bishop of London assured him that nothing was nearer to the bishops' hearts than such cases as he had mentioned.

The Assembly adjourned until to-day.

LIBERAL POLICY.

THE WORLD'S WIZARD.

London, Mar. 2. Mr. Lloyd George's scheme to reduce unemployment in a single year has been hailed by the Liberal newspapers as evidencing the revival of the ex-Premier's dynamic national influence, but the Conservatives and Labourites are most scornful.

Mr. Joynson Hicks in a speech said:—"It is a lively rabbit to get from a hat."

Mr. L. M. S. Amery, Dominions Secretary (referring to Mr. Lloyd George's promises when he launched a national insurance) said:—"Where is your ninepence for fourpence now? It is a modest slogan compared with a hundred millions for nothing."

Mr. J. Ramsay MacDonald, addressing a Labour demonstration, said:—"Lloyd George has renewed some of his old pledges, many of them still in the pawnbrokers. For example, homes fit for heroes."

Mr. J. H. Thomas said:—"The Welsh Wizard's new trick entitles him to be called the world's Wizard."—*Reuter.*

THE HOCKEY CLUB.

TEAMS FOR GAMES TO-DAY AND FRIDAY.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club second eleven in their match with the University on the latter's ground at 5 p.m. to-day.—A. C. Howell, J. E. Henry, L. F. Nicholson (captain), R. R. Todd, L. A. R. Duncan, Rev. N. Evans, A. R. Boleho, W. A. Newers, R. K. Valentin, H. V. Parker and R. J. Price.

The "A" team to meet the Y.M.C.A. at King's Park at 5 p.m. on Friday will consist of R. W. Sapsed, E. R. Robinson, F. R. Rowell, G. Rankin, L. A. R. Duncan, A. J. Ashby, F. E. G. Munn, A. R. Boleho, H. V. Parker, T. J. Price (captain), and Ross.

CHEFOO SITUATION.

NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN GENERALS.

Peking, Mar. 2. From a very reliable source it is learned that the present cessation of hostilities in the vicinity of Chefoo is due to negotiations between Generals Chang Chung-chang and Liu Chen-nien.

General Liu Chen-nien asked for half a million dollars to turn over to General Chang Chung-chang, who offered \$100,000, after which a truce for five days was declared for negotiations, the result of which is not yet known.

—*Reuter.*

COMING CLASH.

COMMANDEERING OF SHIPS.

Shanghai, Mar. 3. The Sunday Times publishes a report to the effect that ten vessels among which are four belonging to the China Merchants, have been commandeered by the Chinese authorities.

It adds that it is reported the go to Nanking to receive orders vessels are under instructions to for the transport of troops.

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MEXICAN BANDITS.

AN AMERICAN AND BRITON CAPTURED.

New York, Mar. 3. A hundred rebels have captured an American, Mr. Henry Hanson, resident manager of the San Nicholas Mining and Milling Company at Vocas, in Mexico; and also Mr. J. W. Reid, a British employee of the company.

The rebels are demanding ransom of 24,000 pesos and also blankets and kegs of nails.

—*Reuter's American Service.*

BIG CONTRACTS.

THE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY ACT SCHEME.

London, Mar. 2. Sir Andrew Duncan, Chairman of the Central Electricity Board, stated yesterday that the Central Board had already placed contracts for over £3,000,000 and were, in the coming week, to place contracts for another £3,000,000 in connection with the scheme under the Electricity Supply Act.

—*British Wireless.*

SIR A. CHAMBERLAIN.

DEPARTURE FROM LONDON FOR GENEVA.

London, Mar. 2. Sir Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, still showing signs of his recent chill, departed to-day for Paris en route to Geneva to attend the Council of the League of Nations.

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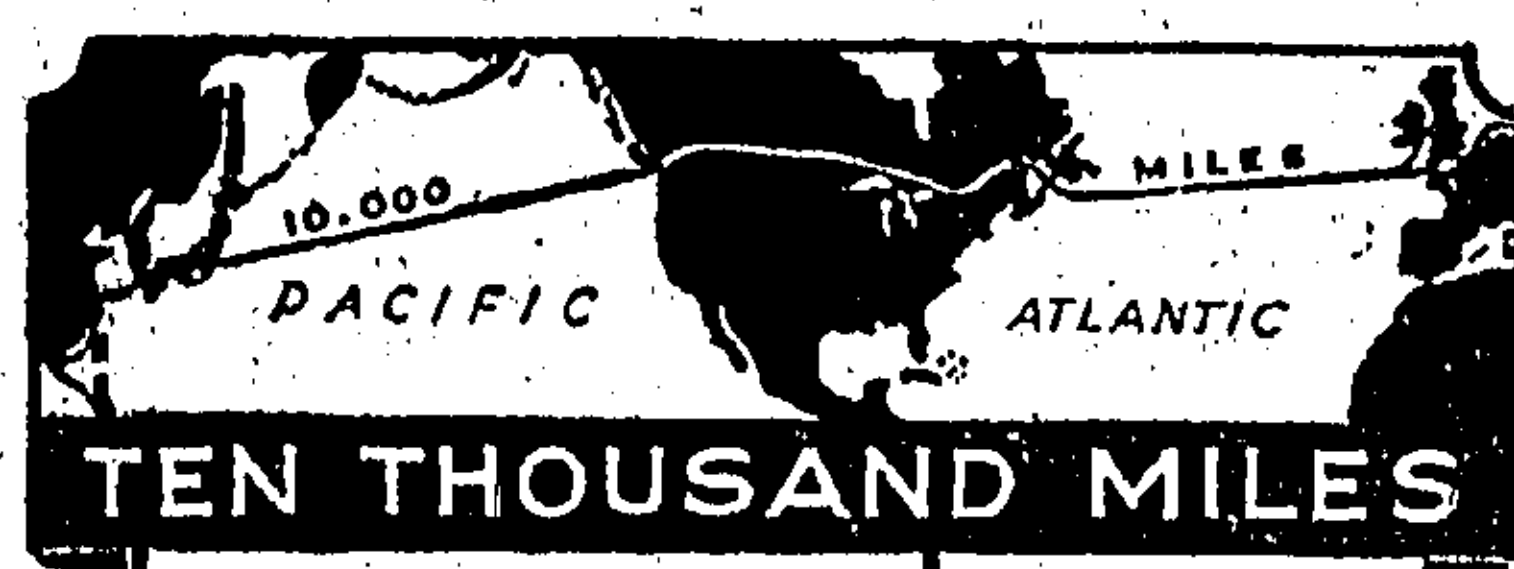
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LOCOMOTIVE FACTORY.

CANTON TO BUILD OWN RAILWAY ENGINES.

The Department of Reconstruction, according to the *Canton Gazette*, is reported to have recommended to the Government the establishment of a factory for the construction of railway locomotives, one of the reasons given in support of this proposal being that it would serve to retain within the country the vast sums of money that are often expended for the purchase of engines for the various railways of the province. A further advantage in having such an establishment is that the existence of a factory locally would obviate the inconvenience and delay that might possibly be caused through breakdowns and derangements to existing engines. It is, of course, hardly likely that several engines would go out of order at the same time but though this possibility is very remote yet the liability of such a coincident occurrence is always present, and should such a state of affairs happen, it would result in the tying up of the railway service.

PEKING REVOLT.

AN OFFICIAL DENIAL.

Peking, Mar. 2. There has been no further trouble in the west city, the entire force, numbering 1,000, having been disbanded and imprisoned within the Winter Palace. Two of the revolutionists were killed and 35 wounded.

Officials declare that no revolt occurred, but that the troops were disbanded under orders from General Yen Hsi-shan and Tai Yuan-fu, who had learned of their leaders communicating with General Chang Chung-chang.

The arrested leaders of the revolutionists admit that they were acting under the orders of General Chang Chung-chang.—*Reuter*.

FIRE ON A SHIP.

OUTBREAK IN HOLD OF THE MIRZAPORE.

Shanghai, Mar. 3. Fire broke out this morning in the hold of the P. and O. s.s. Mirzapore, which arrived from India on March 1 with a cargo of cotton.

The fire brigade after six and a half hours controlled the fire, but it is believed it will require twenty-four hours before the fire can be completely extinguished.

The cause of the outbreak is unknown; and the damage up to the present cannot be ascertained.—*Reuter*.

S. DOMINGO FINANCE.

AMERICAN COMMISSION TO REORGANISE.

San Domingo, Mar. 3. It is announced that Mr. Dawes is heading a commission of American financial experts to reorganise the administration of the finances of San Domingo.

General James Harbord has been appointed vice-chairman of the commission.—*Reuter's American Service*.

RADIO BROADCAST.

THE LOCAL PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 450 metres.

1.48 p.m.—Weather Report.
5 p.m.—Lecture by Mr. C. A. S. Williams, "Chinese Symbolic Art." Relayed from the Helena May Institute.

7.48 p.m.—Evening Weather Report.

8 p.m.—Evening Programme. (Columbia Records supplied the courtesy of Messrs. The Anderson Music Co.)
"Petite Suite" (Debussy) Sir Dan Godfrey & The London Symphony Orchestra.

"In Love" Tenor

"Angel's Serenade" Hubert Elsdell.

"Song Of The Soul" Cello Solo

"Reverie" W. H. Squire.

"Two Black Crows In Jail" Moran and Mack.

"Tip-Toes—Nice Baby" Duet: Evan Thomas & Vera Bryer.

"Tip-Toes—It's A Great Little World" Liddle Cliff.

"Tip-Toes—These Charming People" Trio: Dorothy Dickson, Liddle Cliff, and John Kirby.

"Tip-Toes—Sweet And Low Down" Duet: Liddle Cliff & Peggy Beatty.

"The Spring" (Sonata In F Major) Arthur Godfrey (Violin), William Murdoch (Piano).

"The Bride" Camedian

"Such A Look" George Robey.

"How Now, Brown Cow?" "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" Soprano

Joyce Barbour.

"Carmen" (Ballet) Sir Henry Wood & the New Queen's Hall Orchestra.

"Pleading By" Baritone

"Bridal" Dennis Noble.

"Humoresque" Cello Solo

"Handel's Largo" W. H. Squire.

"The Parson In Defence Of Parsons" The Vicar of Mirth

Vivian Foster.

"Martha" (Ahl So Pure) Tenor

"Rigoletto" Cecil Sherwood.

"Chanson Hindoue" Cello Solo

"Reigen" W. H. Squire.

10.10 p.m.—News Bulletin.

"The Fair Maid Of Perth" "The Marriage Of Figaro"

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God Save The King.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

CHINESE FLIGHT.

WEN LIN-TSCHEN FORCED TO RETURN TO DOVER.

London, Mar. 2. The Chinese airman, Wen Lin-tschén, accompanied by a Danish colleague, started from Croydon on a flight to China on one of the fourteen Cirrus-Avian aeroplanes ordered by China to train Chinese to fly in the new school at Nanjing. He is proceeding via Berlin, Constantinople, Iraq, and India.—*Reuter*.

Engine Trouble.

London, Mar. 3. Wen Lin-tschén was nearly forced down at sea soon after he had started his flight to China. The engine misbehaved in mid-channel, so the pilot decided to turn back to Dover. Rapidly losing height, he cleared the cliffs by only thirty feet and landed safely just inland. Unluckily a gust of wind tipped the machine to its nose, damaging the propeller.—*Reuter*.

YOUTHFUL DANCERS.

MISS CAPELL'S PUPILS AT THE STAR THEATRE.

The talented dancing pupils of Miss Violet Capell scored another big success at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, on Saturday night, when they gave their second dance display for the benefit of the London Hospital, before a large and appreciative audience. These charming annual performances are always looked forward to with the greatest interest. It is a credit to Miss Capell that the degree of perfection attained was so high, this being specially noticeable when the elder girls were on the stage.

The programme was the same as that given at the Queen's Theatre a few days ago and those taking part acquitted themselves with the greatest success. As before, one of the outstanding items was given by Cathleen Whelan who, in spite of her tender years, performed acrobatics in a way that would have done credit to one much older. Master George Jowitt was another very young performer who pleased the audience immensely.

INSANE ASSASSIN.

RUNS AMUCK AFTER BEING GIVEN FREEDOM.

Belgrade, Mar. 3. Vuciterna, the Albanian assassin of Agidividdi during the latter's trial last November, was released from prison on medical evidence of insanity.

To-day he ran amuck at Skopje and killed an inspector of the Ministry of the Interior and wounded one civilian and three soldiers.

Vuciterna fired seven shots in Court during the trial of Agidividdi last year when the latter was charged with the murder of the Albanian Minister, M. Cennabaz. The prisoner was shot dead and an Italian journalist, a correspondent of the *Trieste Piccolo*, was seriously wounded in the firing.—*Reuter*.

VACCINATIONS.

ACTIVITIES OF ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

The number of Chinese vaccinated free of charge by members of St. John Ambulance Brigade, up to and including Thursday last, was:

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Un Long	1434
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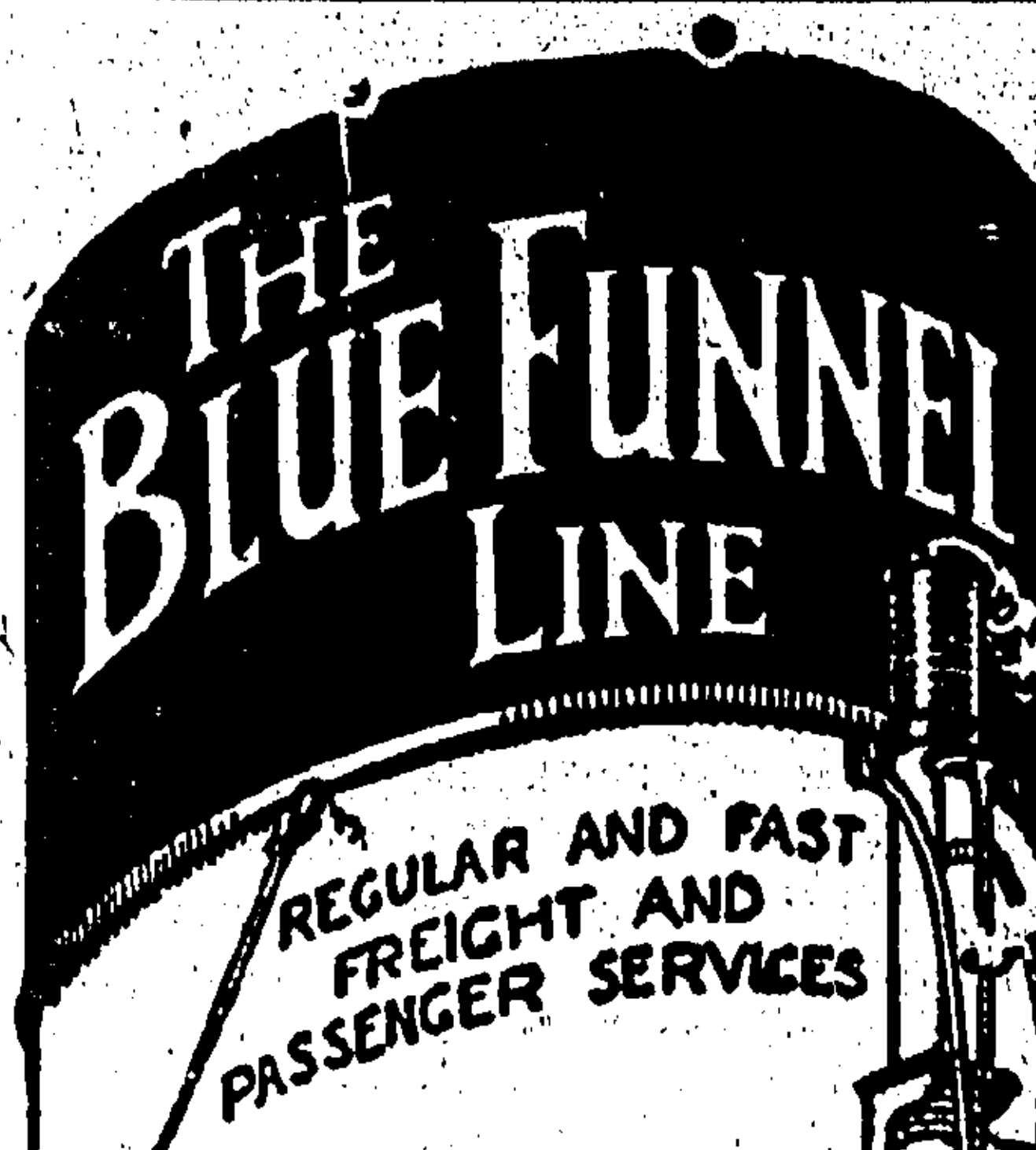
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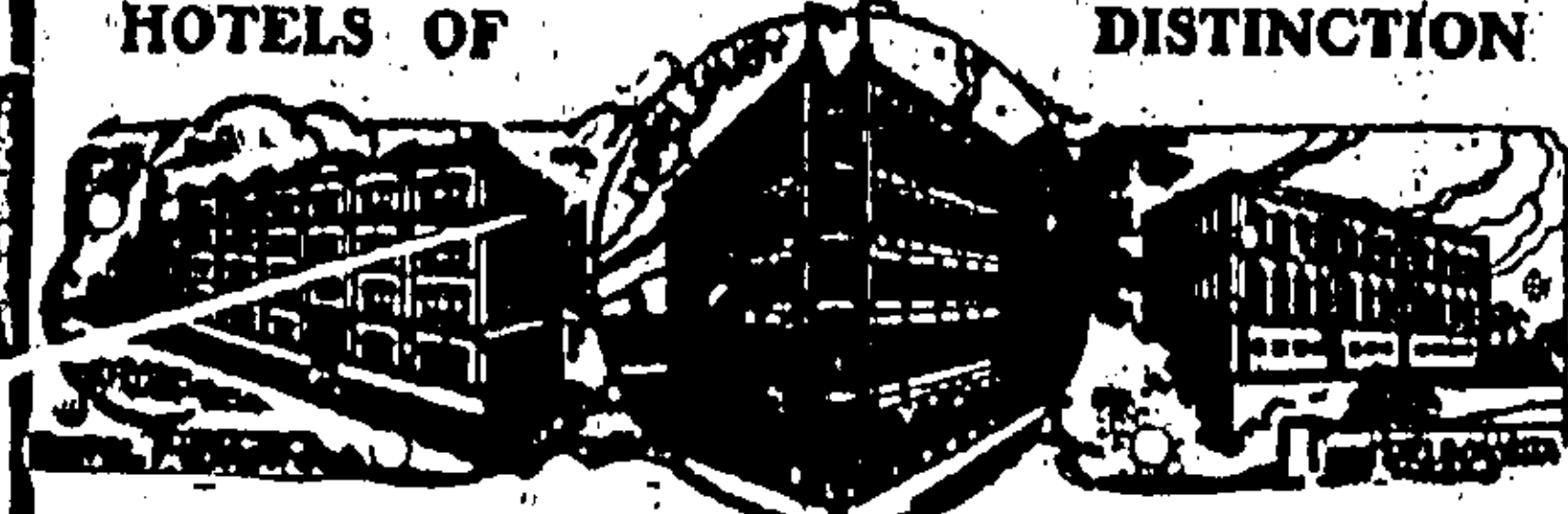
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BILL TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION.

Washington, Feb. 25.
A Bill which would increase the proposed appropriation for the Army's housing programme by \$15,000,000 was introduced in the House to-day by Representative James of Michigan.

The measure provides \$10,800 for officers' quarters and \$5,340 for a storehouse at Fort McKinley, and \$50,000 for non-commissioned quarters and \$425,760 for barracks at Camp Stoenburgh.
The Bill would increase the total housing programme appropriation from \$57,425,509 to \$72,425,509.
Representative James said that the large appropriation was needed because it was necessary to replace temporary wartime buildings.

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DISASTROUS FIRE IN SINGAPORE.

MOTOR FIRM SUFFERS VERY HEAVY LOSS.

TWO LAKHS DAMAGE.

Singapore, Feb. 25.
A serious fire occurred at the premises of the Cycle and Carriage Co., Ltd., Orchard Road, on Saturday afternoon, and but for the splendid work of the Singapore Fire Brigade damage might have reached a much greater figure than \$200,000.

The Brigade were splendid and although most things were in their favour the fact that they saved the ground floor of the building is a feat that will go down in the annals of local fire-fighting as one of the best "stops" that has ever been accomplished here.

The fire originated on the first floor—a heavy wooden floor supported by metal and wooden girders. It was here that the company's assembling shop and accessory store was situated, and most of the materials were of a highly inflammable nature, such as car covers, paints, oil, etc. There were also one or two cars in the course of being assembled and several motor-cycles, together with hundreds of mud-guards, and other spare parts.

How the outbreak started is a mystery and, as far as can be ascertained at the moment, will always be a matter of speculation. The usual theory of fused wires has been proved wrong, because engineers from the Municipal Electricity Department were on the scene shortly after the discovery of the fire and removed the fuses finding them all in order.

One of the first jobs of the Fire Brigade was to get the cars out of the way, and, thanks to voluntary assistance rendered by several Europeans, this work was accomplished speedily.

Courageous Firemen.

Upstairs on the first floor it was found that the Associated Auto's building and the blazing building were joined by big double doors and a large window. Showing exceptional courage the firemen burst open these doors and got right into the centre of the fire. The heat was terrible, but with hoses playing from all sides—later hoses were got on to the roof of the opposite building—it was only a matter of time before the flames were finally extinguished.

The Cycle and Carriage Co.'s premises, were gutted from the first floor upwards, the whole of the roof coming down. The heat was terrific, and most of the mechanical parts involved in the fire were melted or badly twisted and warped.

The fire is the first for many years that has occurred in Orchard Road. It was quite a spectacular blaze, thick, black smoke rising from the burning paint and oil to a great height and being visible all over the island. A number of small explosions were due to oil cans, etc., bursting.

BRITISH EMPIRE'S INFLUENCE.

RATIFICATIONS OF THE KELLOGG PACT.

EXAMPLE TO WORLD.

London, Mar. 3.
The Queen, the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York, as members of the Council of State appointed to act for the King during his illness, to-day signed seven documents ratifying the Kellogg Pact, which were deposited at the State Department, Washington, yesterday by Sir Eame Howard, the British Ambassador, on behalf of His Majesty's Government in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand and the Government of India.
The Canadian and Irish Ministers in Washington similarly deposited ratification of the Pact, on behalf of His Majesty's Government in Canada and the Irish Free State.

The following is part of a message sent to Mr. Kellogg by Sir Austen Chamberlain, Secretary for Foreign Affairs: "I offer you my heartiest congratulations on completion of this great act with which your name will ever be associated in the minds of men."

Mr. Kellogg has replied expressing his deep appreciation of Sir Austen Chamberlain's telegram and for the co-operation and assistance rendered in the negotiations of the Pact and the promptness with which the British Empire ratifications have been obtained in order to give an example to the world of the desire of the British Empire to continue to do everything in its power for the maintenance of peace.—British Wireless.

TWO BATTALIONS LEAVING.

THE BEDS. & HERTS. AND QUEEN'S.

CHANGES MADE IN TROOPING PROGRAMME.

SERVICE IN CHINA.

The transport Dorsetshire is due to arrive in Hongkong early tomorrow morning from Shanghai, and it is expected that the 1st Battalion Beds. and Herts. will embark on the troopship during the day.

The delayed arrival of the Dorsetshire, which returned to Singapore with engine trouble recently, has necessitated changes in the trooping programme, and it was learned to-day that the Beds. and Herts. will leave on the Dorsetshire for Bombay, while the Queen's Royal Regiment will proceed to Malta on the Somersetshire.

Repairs to the latter transport have now been effected at Singapore and it is expected that she will sail for Hongkong on Friday, arriving here on March 14.

The Somersetshire finishes her journey at Hongkong, embarking the 1st Battalion Queen's Royal Regiment here probably on March 15 and sailing on the following day. She is due at Southampton on April 26.

Much Service.

The Beds. and Herts. who will probably leave Hongkong on Wednesday, arrived here on November 2 last year by the transport Talming. Four hundred men arrived from Chingwangtao, the remainder of the Battalion coming a fortnight later.

This Battalion probably holds the record of having seen service in more places in China than any other Battalion of the Shanghai Defence Force. It was part of the 14th Infantry Brigade sent out to China early in 1927, embarking on the Megantic at Malta.

The transport, which carried Major General Duncan, did not call at Hongkong, and the Beds. and Herts. were disembarked at Shanghai. They remained there during the most troublous period and, during the summer of last year were transferred to Wethal-wei.

At Tongshan.

On June 23, they were hurriedly embarked on board the new County cruiser H.M.S. Cumberland as a result of the threatening situation in North China.

Disembarking at Tientsin with a field hospital and wireless station, they proceeded to Chingwangtao and later to Tongshan, protecting the interests of the foreign community and the Kailan Mining Administration property.

The Beds. and Herts. remained in Tongshan until the latter part of the summer, when the return to normal conditions at Tongshan enabled the Battalion to be withdrawn to Hongkong.

The 1st Battalion Queen's Royal Regiment came out in May, 1927, on the transport Nevada, the men being disembarked at Hongkong. During their stay in the Colony, the Queen's have maintained an excellent reputation and have done particularly well on the field of sport.

Queen's and Portugal.

Last year part of the Battalion paid a visit to Macao, an appropriate excursion in view of the old associations which exist between the regiment and Portugal.

Three centuries ago, the Queen's Regiment was employed to protect a Portuguese Queen's property. When Catherine of Braganza married Charles the second of England she brought as dowry the territory of Tangier. In 1661, in order to protect Tangier, the Second Regiment of Foot, known as the Queen's Royal Regiment, was raised and sent as a garrison.

The Paschal Lamb, the crest of the regiment to-day, was given by Queen Catherine. The lamb was not part of her crest but in most of the paintings of her the lamb is shown in the corner.

Cathedral Tablet.

During their stay in the Colony a tablet has been unveiled at St. John's Cathedral commemorating the men of the regiment who lost their lives in 1860 in connexion with the British military operations in China following the Taping Rebellion. Several casualties were suffered, and it was decided that a suitable memorial tablet to those who lost their lives in the service of their country in China at that time should be erected by the officers, warrant officers,

THE KING'S SLOW RECOVERY.

RESTORATION TO HEALTH A LONG PROCESS.

DOCTORS' WARNING.

London, Mar. 3.

The weather conditions were ideal at Bognor to-day, and the King sat for some hours at the open window of his bedroom at Craigwell House.

Further warning, however, that the King's full recovery must still be a long process was given in a bulletin issued last night after a lengthy consultation between Lord Dawson of Penn and Sir Stanley Howett and officials of King's household.

The bulletin says: "The King during the past fortnight, has made satisfactory progress. His weight and progress have increased and his sleep is refreshing. His Majesty is now able to read and apply his mind for short periods but it is recalled that one of the most anxious features of the illness has been severe exhaustion due to prolonged toxæmia, therefore careful avoidance of any sustained effort of body and mind will be necessary for a lengthened period in order to secure complete recovery, which, although some months distant, we confidently anticipate."

It was the first long statement issued since His Majesty's removal to Bognor and is regarded as definitely satisfactory and reassuring. It indicates that the experiment of removing to the South Coast has been successful. Nevertheless the guarded phrasing is designed to restrain undue optimism.—Reuter and British Wireless.

AMERICAN NAVAL MYSTERY.

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the ship sailed for Manila, and it is generally believed that the trio perished.

The Missing Men.

The names of the missing men are:

A. B. Powell, Huntington, West Virginia.

George Cramer, Oakland, California.

William E. Zachary, Providence, Kentucky.

The fourth man, who originally disappeared with Powell when a recreation party went ashore from the Memphis on February 20, is James E. Fay, of Beaufort, South Carolina. Fay returned to the ship after Zachary and Cramer had been sent out in the searching party. The latter two did not return.

The investigation centres around the stories told by Fay, who is now on the Memphis, and who has been on the sick list ever since his return to the ship.

The story he told on his return was characterized in Navy reports as "misleading," or words to that effect. What he told the investigating board has not been released, but a fairly complete version of his story is current in common gossip. The gist of it seems to be that he and Powell wandered over Coron Island, separated from the recreation party, until they got lost. They were without fresh water. He said that he and Powell lived on brackish water for four days, and that Powell finally became "water crazy," leaped over a cliff into the ocean in search of fresh water, and was drowned. Fay said that he went in after Powell, but that Powell sank before Fay could reach him.

Reports Conflicting.

Fay finally found his way back to the beach and met a searching party camped there. One of the "misleading" parts of his story was that he described the cliff over which Powell leaped as 10 feet high. When searchers located the spot he described, it was 150 feet high.

The whole of Coron Island is described by those who constituted searching parties for the missing men as one of the most desolate, inaccessible and precipitous spots in the Philippines.

N.C.O.'s and men now serving with the same battalion in Hongkong. When the Beds. and Herts. and the Queen's leave Hongkong, the garrison will return to its normal strength of three infantry battalions, the King's Own Scottish Borderers, Somerset Light Infantry and the 3/15th Punjab Regiment.

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